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Section 1, Special Branch.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 80794/41(1)-0
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REPORT

Date September 6, 1940.

Subject. Gambling dens in the Western District - situation.

Made by. D. S. I. Loh Wei Kong. Forwarded by. D. S. I. Logan.

The following three small gambling dens opened in the Western District, O.O.L. on September 5 :-

Name	Address	Name of Conductor
Sung Kee Huh Li Company (申記合利公司) (previously known as Huh Li Company)	43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.	Tsang Kuo Tseng (張國震), in charge of a section of the Special Service Group attached to the Shanghai Office of the Ministry of Police, 22 Sing Loh Tsung, Singapore Road, O.O.L.
Huh Li (合利) Company (previously unnamed)	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road.	Tsang Chi Ping (張繼平), loafer.
Woo Ping (和子) Company	First House, Yien Tsuh Li, Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	

It will be remembered that the first two mentioned gambling establishments were closed on August 21, 1940, due to losses sustained. The three dens pay a monthly fee of \$6,000.00 each to the East Asia Charity Association, Lane 1032, 25 Yu Yuen Road.

In addition, there are two leading gambling dens operating in the Western District, namely the "Loh Kuo Hotel", 346 Avenue Haig, and the "China Club", 29 Tifeng Road.

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Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

Comm. D. S. I.
Sp. B.
Loh Wei Kong
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SEARCH WARRANT, NO.....5544

Special Branch.....STATION.

Above search warrant issued by Judge Tsong
at 11.00 a.m. on the 1-9-40 - Court ref.No.5.
(Houses Nos.1 & 4-A Hong Zou Faung, Lane 234
Mapai Road - for gambling.)

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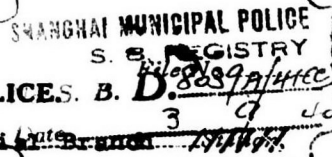
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14/9/40.....Date.

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S.1, Special Branch
REPORT
Date Sept. 2, 1940.

Subject Gambling raid in Pootoo Road District.

Made by and Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

Commr. of Police.
Sir:
Information.

R. J. Forke
D.C. (Sp. Br.)

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Acting on the authority of Shanghai Special District Court Search Warrant, No.8 dated 1/9/40, members of the Special Branch headed by D.S.I. Logan in conjunction with a squad of 14 C.P.C.s and F.S. MacFarlane from the Reserve Unit under Inspt. Campbell, at 8.15 p.m. September 1, raided premises No.4, Lane 234, Mapai Road, where public gambling was reported to be in progress.

At the time of the Police visit, it was learned that public gambling, which commenced there in the morning and ended at 4 p.m. that date, had just been started at that address on September 1, as the premises in question were still under the process of being decorated. Seven employees of the den, known as the Hoong Shing Company (鴻興), were subsequently learned to have left the address about half an hour prior to the Police arrival and informed the three painters who were then at work that they would return shortly afterwards. The painters upon being interrogated by Police were unable to supply any useful information regarding the conductors and other particulars of the den.

A thorough search of the premises was made and the following gambling paraphernalia was seized and brought to Pootoo Road Station :-

- 6 brass boxes for chips.
- 2 porcelain pots for shaking dices.
- 1 large black wood pot with 3 dices.

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- 3 brass cash boxes.
- 1 set black wood "Bah Kiu" domin^{oes}.
- 1 drawer containing various kinds of chips.
- 1 large and 1 small iron cash box.
- 2 large frames containing regulations governing public gambling.
- 2 small frames -do-
- 9 account books.
- 5 new account books (unused)
- 2 drawers containing note books and other miscellaneous papers.
- 1 abacus.
- 2 drawers containing Chinese pens, coloured pencils and other stationery.
- 4 glass plates.
- 2 opium ash trays.
- 4 glass cups

According to information at hand, the den is managed by one Zien Chun Wei (錢中範), ex-partner of the defunct Monte Carlo (蒙脫卡羅), Kong Ka Jao off Connaught Road, O.O.L., while ex-C.P.C. Lieu Laung Si (劉朗喜) formerly attached to Central Station, is acting as liaison agent.

As it was impossible to remove the heavy tables and other furniture from the den on Sept. 1, 1940, a uniform guard was placed on the premises by Pootoo Road Station.

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The Search Warrant was handed over to
Footoo Road Station and will be returned to Court
when application is made by Footoo Road Station
for the disposal of the seized property.

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REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
REGISTRY

B. D. 8039/4161-0

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August 22, 1940

Subject: Gambling dens in the Western District - Sit.

Made by: D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by: D.S.I. Lo

On August 21, the following small gambling dens in the Western District, O.C.D., temporarily closed down because of losses sustained :

Name	Address	Date of existence
"Unnamed"	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road.	27/5/40.
"Unnamed"	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.	27/5/40.
"Huh Li Company"	43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road.	20/6/40.
"Hung Feh Co."	135 Jessfield Road.	13/7/40.

There are two leading gambling establishments operating in the Western District, namely the "Loh Kuo Hotel", 346 Avenue Haig, and the "China Club", 29 Tifeng Road.

Comm. of D. S. I.
S. 1.

R. W. Loh
D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

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No. 5. B. D. 8037⁹/416-0
date 13 . 8 . 40
August 13, 40

Japanese Military Police in the Western District

On August 12, the Japanese Military Police issued an order through the East Asia Charity Association, Lane 1032, 25 Yu Yuen Road, instructing the conductors of the following now defunct gambling dens that under no circumstances must they transfer the lease of their premises to other parties :-

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| 1) "1238 Club"
(also known as
Li Wei Lo Amusement
Club.) | 1238 Yu Yuen Rd. O.O.L. |
| 2) "99 Shanghai Club"
(also known as
Monte Carlo) | 184 Kong Kya Jao, off
Jessfield Rd., O.O.L. |
| 3) "New Asia Club"
(also known as
Broadway Club) | 364 Yu Yuen Rd., O.O.L. |
| 4) "24 Club"
(also known as
Yu Yuen Club) | 15 Woo Ping Rd., Off
Bubbling Well Rd., O.O.L. |
| 5) "101 Club"
(also known as
Zao Foong Club) | Yu Yuen Rd., opposite
the Jessfield Park, O.O.L. |
| 6) "Lucky Ballroom"
(also known as
Chow Yuen) | 15 Jessfield Rd., O.O.L. |

The conductors were also instructed that the approval of the Japanese Military Police must be obtained beforehand should they intend transferring the lease.

The conductors of the gambling dens concerned which closed on July 31, 1940, are now the shareholders of the "Loh Kuo Hotel," a joint gambling

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establishment at 346 Avenue Haig. They believe that the instructions were issued by the Japanese Military Police with a view to commandeering the premises vacated.

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REGISTRY

S. 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date: August 12, 1940

Subject: House 864 Yu Yuen Road.

Made by _____ and _____ Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

Commr. of Police
Sir:
Information

P. J. Jahn
D. I. (Sp. Br.)

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House 864 Yu Yuen Road was the former site of the Broadway Club, a gambling den which opened on December 23, 1939, with the approval of the Japanese Amusement Supervision Office (now defunct). It was closed on June 16, by order of the Japanese Military Police but reopened on June 28 under the title "New Asia Club". This den paid a "guarantee Fund" of \$100,000.00 and a further daily sum of \$3,333.00 to the Japanese Military Police for permission to carry on their business. On July 31, 1940, the "New Asia Club" closed and amalgamated with the "Loh Kuo Hotel", a joint establishment of six leading gambling dens which is located at 346 Avenue Haig.

Following the evacuation of the den, the premises at 864 Yu Yuen Road were almost immediately occupied as a temporary boarding house by some ten members (usually armed with Mauser pistols) under the command of one Van Ming (范明) alias Van Li Long (范利郎), a battalion commander of the "Peace and National Construction Army", who is in charge of the liaison office for the Army in question at 65 West End Gardens, Yu Yuen Road. Van serves concurrently as a section chief of the Special Service Group attached to the Shanghai Office of the Ministry of Police, 76 Jessfield Road. Those ten

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members now living on the premises (864 Yu Yuen Road) occasionally leave and enter the premises by motor cars from 76 Jessfield Road.

It is reported that the premises will be used as a preparatory office for the forthcoming "New Special Police Force".

No information is available at present of the instructions as outlined in Bubbling Well Station report.

C. Crawford

D. I.

D. .C. (Special Branch).

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S. 1. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D 8039/416-0

S. 1, Special Branch 8816h/40

REPORT

Date August 12, 1940.

Subject: Gambling Dens in the western District - Situation.

Made D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

Commr. of Police.

Sir:

Information.

R. D. Forker

D. C. (Sp. B.)

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On August 10, a fight occurred between members of the Special Service Group attached to the Shanghai Office of the Ministry of Police and employees of a small gambling den named the "Hwa Song Club" (華商總會), 10 Zung Teh Fang, Jessfield Road, O.O.L. The trouble arose over an attempt by the Special Service Group to extort money from the den.

The Hwa Song Club came into existence on August 10, with Sung Sze Zung (孫樹成) as conductor and he was assisted by three Formosans who acted as guards. Prior to the opening of the den, attempts were made by Tsang Kuo Tseng (張國震), in charge of a section of the Special Service Group at 22 Sing Loh Tseng, Singapore Road, O.O.L., to obtain a monthly fee of \$300.00 from the den but the demand was ignored. On the morning of August 10, a member of the section visited the den on instruction from Tsang Kuo Tseng and after losing at the gaming tables demanded the re-payment of \$50.00 which was rejected. The waiter whom he asked for the money was carrying a kettle of hot water and collided with this person who then attempted to assault the waiter. The three Formosan guards immediately appeared while a number of the Special Service Group also appeared at the same time

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under Tsang Kuo Tseng and a fight ensued in which the three Formosans were injured. The trouble later came to the notice of the Japanese Military Police who arrived in the afternoon of the same day and took the conductor into custody. The gambling den in question was then closed.

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D. C. (Special Branch).

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D. S. I.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No.....

B'well

Station,

REPORT

Date 11th August 1940.

Subject..... Gambling in Western District - Loh Koh Club,
346 Avenue Haig.

Made by..... Det. Inspector Tabrum. Forwarded by.....

Sir;

Concerning the newley established Loh Koh Club, 346 Avenue Haig, F.S. Vaughan-Neale confidentially notified D.I. Tabrum that these premises are the property of a relative of his named "Yang", who was compelled to lease the premises to a gambling syndicate at a rental of \$4,000.00 a month under the following circumstances:

'About July 25, 1940 a party of armed men entered 346 Avenue Haig and abducted Mr. Yang. He was taken to a house in the Western Area where he was ordered to remove from and surrender his home to a gambling syndicate who would pay to him the sum of \$4,000.00 a month as compensation and rent. Mr. Yang, who was liberated about two hours after being abducted, and had no option but to accept the demands, removed from his home on the following day.'

No official report of this case has been made to the S.M.P. by the victim or his closer relatives.

R. Tabrum
Det. Inspector.

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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Bubbling Well

10th. August 40.

Gambling in Western District - Premises 864

Yu Yuen Road.

Det. Inspector Tabrum

Sir;

On the morning of August 2, 1940 information from an outside source was received to the effect that on the night of July 31, 1940 about 30 to 40 armed men walked into 864 Yu Yuen Road, the Broadway Gambling Den, as it was about to close as a gambling establishment, and took possession of the premises.

These armed men were said to be members of the China Peace National Salvation Army, with head office in Shanghai established at 65 West End Gardens.

This information was corroborated on the morning of August 10, 1940 when representatives of the Shanghai Office of Ministry of Police, 76 Jessfield Road, were being interviewed in connection with a missing child.

The representative interviewed, in the course of general conversation stated; that on the night of the 7/8 August 1940 members of the Ministry of Police were despatched to 864 Yu Yuen Road and these members dispossessed the occupants, who left when informed that instructions to dispossess them of the premises had been issued by Lee Su Chuen, Vice-Minister of Ministry of Police.

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The premises which are now being guarded by four members of the Shanghai City Government Police are being returned to their former owners, the gambling den promoters.

The informant added that in view of the numerous complaints received concerning the criminal activities of the China Peace National Salvation Army, there was every likelihood of Lee Sz Chuen upon his return to Shanghai, issuing an order to close up the office of this organization at 65 West End Gardens.


Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

August 2, 19 40 .

CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-O.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District,
O.O.L. - Situation.

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Copy of a Police Report.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section I, Special Branch.

REPORT

Date August 1, 1940.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. B. REGISTRY

File No. S. B. D. 1039/40-0

Subject... Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by... D. S. I. Loh Wei Kong. Forwarded by... D. I. Crawford.

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Commr. of Police.

Sir:

Information.

R. D. Clarke.
D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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Z. B. M.
U. I. M. L.,
Criminal Crawford
& D. O. B.
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P.m. 1/8.

A new gambling den entitled the "Loh Kuo Hotel" (六國飯店) opened on the evening of July 31 at House 346 Avenue Haig. This "Hotel" has incorporated the following establishments which are now closed:

Name	Address	Remarks
(1) "1238 Club" (formerly known as Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24/6/40
(2) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jess- field Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28/6/40.
(3) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28/6/40.
(4) "24 Club" (formerly known as Yu Yuen Club)	15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
(5) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
(6) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2/7/40

The China Club continues operating at 29 Tifeng Road.

Apart from the two leading gambling dens mentioned above, there are four small gaming houses



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operating in the Western District, O.O.L., which
are as follows :

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(1) "Unnamed"	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 27/5/40.
(2) "Unnamed"	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 27/5/40.
(3) "Huh Li Company"	43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 20/6/40.
(4) "Hung Fah Company"	135 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 13/7/40.

Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

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No. S. B. D. 80398/41(16)
Date August 1, 1940

End. August 40.

Gambling in Western District.

Det. Inspector Tabrum

W. A. Curtis
Officer-in-charge.

Sir:

Further to report submitted on August 1, 1940
it has since been learned that the combine of
promoters of 343 Avenue Faid, which is to be known
as the Juh Koi 六國 Club when it opens, should in
addition to those mentioned include the previous
promoters of the Zau Young (Velton Cabaret), Chen
Yuan (Autumn Garden) and Young Sung.

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A. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.C. "B" Div.

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Date 2.8.40
Bubbling Wall

1st. August 40.

Gambling in Western District.

Det. Inspector Tabrum

H. B. Curtis
Officer, i/c.

Sir;

It is reported that all gambling establishments in the Western Area with the exception of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road and "Tarren's", 325 Great Western Road, were closed at about 12 midnight 31-7-1940.

Information has been received that preparations are being made to open a gambling den at 346 Avenue Haig, the promoters of which are said to be a combine consisting of the previous promoters of the Yu Yuen, Hollywood and Broadway gambling establishments.

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R. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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E. A. Hays

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

August 1, 1940

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-O.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District,
O.O.L. - Situation.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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S. 1. Special Branch Station/
REPORT

Date July 31 1940

Subject Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford,

(Vide Special
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26/7/40).

Commr. of Police
Sir:

Information

R. D. J. for
D. C. (Sp. Br.)

Copies to
E. Z. B. M.

U. S. M. L.
& Admiral
Crawford.

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Information has been received to the effect that the six leading gambling dens which reopened after June 24 will amalgamate and make one large establishment which will be located at 346 Avenue Haig (next to the German School). It will operate under the title of "Loh Kuo Hotel" (Six Nations Hotel) (六國飯店). It will be placed under the control of the East Asia Charity Association, Lane 1032, 25 Yu Yuen Road, with CHU ZUNG LING in charge and the conductors of the five other dens will be members. Mr. YAMAKI (山本四郎) remains as Japanese advisor to the East Asia Charity Association.

The China Club will continue to operate at 29 Tifeng Road.

S. C. L.



D. C. (Special Branch)

Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS

JUL 28 1940

**The Badlands:
New Gambling Den to Open**

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It is quite some time now since we were promised that all gambling establishments on the outside roads were to be closed for good and yet nothing had been done up to the moment.

We know that practically all criminal acts emanate from these houses of chance (excepting, of course, political murders) and yet a new one situate at Yu Yuen Road, Lane 1032 House No. 25 is about to throw open its doors.

There is something doing at the moment amongst the foreign consuls of this city and all seem anxious to rid the settlement of further crime, and hope this letter will catch the eye of one who has the authority to stop issuing that necessary permit thus preventing the said gambling joint from opening up for business.

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Shanghai, July 27.

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Lane 1032. 25 Yu Yuen Road is the new office of "East Asia Charity Association".
(vide Sp. A. Rpt. 26/7/40) RAB 20/7

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REPORT

Date July 26 1940

Subject Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

A change in the situation in the leading gambling dens which were permitted to reopen after June 24, 1940 is expected to take place by the end of July, 1940, according to information received. The conductors of the six leading dens concerned are of the opinion that the Japanese Military Police will either instruct them to amalgamate and so make only one establishment to be operated in the form of a company, or close altogether at the end of the current month. Endeavours are being made by the conductors through Mr. YAMAKI (山本四郎), Japanese advisor to the East Asia Charity Association, to secure permission from the Japanese Military Police authorities to be allowed to carry on their activities without any change, but nothing definite has yet been learned. The China Club, 29 Tifeng Road, will not be affected by the scheme.

The following are the leading gambling dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L. :

Name	Address	Remarks
(1) "1238 Club" (formerly known as Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24/6/40.
(2) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 26/6/40.
(3) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club) (新亞總會)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28/6/40.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(4) "24 Club" (formerly the Yu Yuen Club)	15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
(5) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
(6) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2/7/40.
(7) China Club	29 Tifeng Road.	Remains open after 16/6/40.

The office of the East Asia Charity Association
was again removed from Lane 126, A-23 Kinnear Road
to House 25 Chi San Tsung (山支山莊) (Lane 1032),
Yu Yuen Road on July 24.

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No. S. B. D. 80394/41 (4)
Building 11 1.8.40
24th. July 40.

Information - Gambling in Western District.

Det. Inspector Tabrum

Officer i/c.

Sir,

With reference to remarks of Mr. H.D.V. Robertson, A.D.C. (Divisional), on afternoon translation dated July 16, relevant to an article appearing in the Chinese Press regarding the closure of gambling dens in the Western area, I beg to report that according to information from fairly reliable sources, there is an indication that all the gambling dens in the Western area, with the exception of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road, will cease functioning at 12 midnight on the July 31, 1940.

However, prevalent among the gambling promoters, to whom the order was given to close, is a rumour that they will be permitted to re-open early in August 1940 and continue operations until midnight on the day previous to the establishment of the Special Police Force in the outside roads area.

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R. V. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

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L. H. R. 1/8/40

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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S. 1. Special Branch *6/16/40*

REPORT

Date... *July 20* 19 40

Subject... *Newspaper reports on the closure of gambling dens in the*

Western District, O.O.L.

Made by... *D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong* Forwarded by... *D. I. Crawford.*

There is no truth in the article appearing in the July 16th issue of the Chinese-American Daily News wherein they state that an order has been issued by the Shanghai City Government for the closure of all gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. within three days.

The report appears to be a reproduction of an article on the same subject which was published on July 13 in the Central Daily News (Wang Ching Wei's ^a mouthpiece), but/correction, appeared in the same paper the following day, July 14, stating that the report was not true. (Translation attached).

There are seven leading gambling dens and four small gaming establishments operating in the Western District, O.O.L. The leading dens are operating with permission from the Japanese Military Police authorities, while the small dens have the consent of the Western District Police Bureau.

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July 16, 1940.

Afternoon Translation.

Chinese-American Daily News, Ta Mei Pao and National Herald :-

ALL GAMBLING DENS IN WESTERN DISTRICT TO BE CLOSED WITHIN
THREE DAYS.

It is reported that an order was issued by the puppet City Government yesterday instructing all the gambling dens in the Western District to close within three days. It is stated that the object of this order is to show its determination to do away with the gambling evil in the controlled area.

It is observed that recently the puppet City Government issued a similar order for the closure of the gambling dens in the Western District, but the 10 big gambling dens in the Western District reopened under changed names after remaining closed for a time. The reopening of these gambling dens was said to be due to a desire to relieve the more than 100,000 persons who would have been thrown out of employment through the closure of these dens.

It is learned that the Western District Amusement Resorts Rehabilitation Association recently made an appeal to the puppet Police Bureau of the City Government for a longer period of operations by gambling dens in the Western District, but this was turned down by the Police Bureau.



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July 13, 1940.

Central China Daily News :-

**AMUSEMENT RESORTS IN WESTERN DISTRICT TO BE CLOSED WITHIN
THREE DAYS**

During the most prosperous period of their business 24 amusement resorts were in existence in the Western District. They paid a total of \$300,000 monthly to pay the expenses of the Fire Brigade, the Benevolent Organization, the Refugees' Hospital, etc. After the return of the National Government to Nanking, these amusement resorts were once closed by order of the local authorities. A Rehabilitation Committee of Employees of Amusement Resorts in the Western District was organized and made an appeal to the City Government to grant a postponement of the order for six months so as to enable all the employees to maintain their livelihood. At the same time, the amusement resorts were reduced to 10 in all. They agreed to pay the same monthly tax as before when 24 amusement resorts were in existence. In addition to this tax, they are also willing to pay a certain amount to cover the expenses for the establishment of ten primary schools, two middle schools and a public hospital.

As the matter was one which would greatly affect the administration of the City Government, the appeal submitted by the Committee was transmitted by the Shanghai City Government to the Executive Yuan for record; at the same time it issued an order to the Police Bureau of the City Government to close all amusement resorts in the Western District within three days of the date of the order.

July 14, 1940.

Central China Daily News :-

**REPORT THAT AMUSEMENT RESORTS IN WESTERN DISTRICT
WILL BE CLOSED WITHIN THREE DAYS NOT TRUE**

According to yesterday's newspapers, the amusement resorts in the Western District were ordered by the Police Bureau of the City Government to be closed within three days. A petition was forwarded to the Ministry of Police by the Rehabilitation Committee of Employees of Amusement Resorts in the Western District requesting the Ministry to grant a postponement of the order for six months so as to enable all the employees to have a chance to find other jobs. The request was not accepted by the Ministry of Police. The report of the closure of the amusement resorts within three days is, however, found to be untrue.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

July 20, 1940.

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

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Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L.
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Subject. Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

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The "East Asia Charity Relief Association" which was evolved from the Amusement Readjustment Committee, has again been renamed the "East Asia Benevolent Association" (東亞慈善協會) but CHU ZUNG LING is still in charge. The Association will be responsible for issuing "relief" to the unemployed guards who were employed by those gambling dens which are closed.

On July 18, the office of the Association was removed from the "1238 Club", 1238 Yu Yuen Road back to the former site of the Amusement Readjustment Committee, Lane 126, A-23 Kinnear Road, by order of Mr. YAMAKI (山本四郎), Japanese advisor to the Association.

Information is to the effect that the Hillman Club, 121 Yoong Yuan Pang, Lane 1921 off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L. which closed on June 16, 1940 is endeavouring to secure permission from the Japanese Military Police Authorities to resume operations. Should this be permitted, the club will reopen in the name of "Yee Woo Yuan" (頤和園).

There are seven leading gambling dens and four small gaming establishments operating in the Western District, O.O.L.

Loh Wei Kong
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

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Date July 17, 1940

Subject Gambling Dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

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On CHU ZUNG LING (朱順林) taking charge of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association," the office of the association was temporarily removed from Lane 126, A-23, Kinnear Road to the premises of the "1238 Club," 1238 Yu Yuen Road.

A decision has been reached between CHU ZUNG LING and the conductors that the six leading gambling dens, which reopened between June 24 and July 2, will pay \$1,000.00 a day each to the association for the purpose of relief to the unemployed guards of the gaming establishments not functioning. This decision was agreed to by conductors of the gambling dens concerned.

Loh Wei Kong
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Headquarters,
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On July 13, CHU ZUNG LING (朱順林),
Manager of the "1238 Club," 1238 Yu Yuen Road,
took charge of the "East Asia Charity Relief
Association," Lane 126, A-23 Kinnear Road, in the
place of PAN SAN SING (潘三省).

This change was caused by dissension between
the two persons concerned. At the beginning of
July, PAN effected reorganization of the Amusement
Readjustment Committee and renamed the "East Asia
Charity Relief Association," under the pretext of
relieving the "unemployed" guards of the defunct
gambling dens. Actually he had the intention of
causing embarrassment to those dens which were
permitted to reopen by the Japanese Military Police.
On July 6, six gambling dens operating in the
Western District were ordered to close by the "East
Asia Charity Relief Association" in the name of the
Japanese Military Police, because of their refusal
to pay half of the net income which PAN SAN SING
demanded for so-called benevolent purposes. This
action on the part of PAN SAN SING incurred strong
opposition from the conductors of the six gambling
dens concerned who appealed to the Japanese
authorities for the suppression of the Association
in question. Mediation was conducted by LI SHIH CHUN
(李士群), Vice Minister of Police of the New
Central Government, and the gambling dens resumed
business on July 9.

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The dispute came to the notice of Major FUJINO (藤野), in charge of Japanese Gendarmerie in the Western District, who made personal enquiries and found that the action taken by PAN SAN SING against the gambling dens was outside his authority.

Because of this, PAN SAN SING resigned the post of chairman of the East Asia Charity Relief Association and, it is reported, will leave for Japan.

CHU ZUNG LING, the new chairman of the East Asia Charity Relief Association, has obtained the support of the conductors of the leading gambling dens which reopened between June 24 and July 2, 1940.

There are seven leading dens and four small gaming establishments operating in the Western District, O.O.L. which are as follows :-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(1) "1238 Club" (formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24/6/40.
(2) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 26/6/40.
(3) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28/6/40.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(4) "24 Club" (formerly known as Yu Yuen)	24 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
(5) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Poong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
(6) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2/7/40.
(7) China Club	29 Tifeng Road.	Remains open after 16/6/40.
(8) Unnamed	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27/5/40.
(9) Unnamed	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27/5/40.
(10) Huh Li Company (合利公司)	43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 20/6/40.
(11) Hung Fah Company (鴻發公司)	135 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 13/7/40.

The last mentioned den, the Hung Fah Company, opened for business on July 13, 1940 and is conducted by one LI SIU WOO (李秀武), a guard of the defunct Kwang Sung (廣生) Gambling Den, 135 Jessfield Road. This den pays \$100.00 a day to the Western District Police Bureau as a "protection" fee.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

July 11, 1940 .

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D.8039A/41(c)-0.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. Situation.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No.

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REPORT

Date July 10, 1940.

Subject. Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation

Made by. D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by. D.I. Crawford

The following gambling dens which ceased operations on July 6, reopened during the afternoon of July 9 :

Name	Address
(1) "1238 Club" (formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
(2) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
(3) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
(4) "24 Club" (formerly known as Yu Yuen)	24 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.
(5) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.
(6) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.

It will be remembered that the closure was believed to have been brought about by PAN SAN SING (潘三省), Chief of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association," Lane 126, A-23 Kinnear Road for personal reasons. PAN SAN SING still has the intention of making the conductors pay half of their net income to the treasury of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association," but an agreement was negotiated by LI SHIH CHUN (李士群), now Vice Minister of the Police, that the conductors would be permitted to carry on their businesses for a

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period of three months, and the "East Asia Charity Relief Association" ^{shall} ~~would~~ refrain from attempting to collect any part of their income during that period. At the end of this period, the situation ^{shall} ~~would~~ be reconsidered.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

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During the early morning of July 6, at about 3 a.m., the following gambling dens which were re-opened recently ceased business on the orders of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association", Lane 126, No. A.23 Kinnear Road :

Name	Address	Remarks
(1) "1238 Club" (formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24/6/40
(2) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 26/6/40
(3) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28/6/40
(4) "24 Club" (formerly known as Yu Yuen)	24 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40
(5) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40
(6) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2/7/40.

The association which is in charge of PAN SAN SING (潘三省), claims that the decision was made by the Japanese Military Police on the excuse that the conductors failed to operate their establishments at new addresses but assumed new names instead. Enquiries made by the conductors at the

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Western District Branch of the Japanese Military Police failed to obtain a satisfactory explanation, but believe that the officers in charge of the Japanese Military Police are annoyed at the reopening of these six dens within such a short period. According an opinion expressed by the conductors, only three of the dens should have opened first, the remainder to resume business gradually.

The conductors of the gambling dens concerned are convinced that their closure was instigated by PAN SAN SING of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association" to cause embarrassment. They are of the opinion that PAN has the intention of bringing pressure to bear upon them so that he will be in a position to obtain half of the net income of the dens for the treasury of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association". The conductors have so far refused to yield to this proposal and are reported to have appealed to the Japanese authorities for the suppression of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association". LI SHIH CHUN (李士群), Vice Minister of Police of the New Central Government, is reported to be mediating in the dispute.

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D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

July 5, 1940.

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To. Secretary & Commissioner General,
S. M. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

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No. S. B. D. 2039/40-0

S.1, Special Branch 40

REPORT

Date July 4, 1940

Subject Gambling Dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

The Amusement Readjustment Committee, Lane 126,

A.23 Kinneer Road, has been renamed the "East Asia
Charity Relief Association" (东亚慈善救济会) and
Pan San Sing (潘之南) will still be in charge.

He is reported to have obtained the support of the
Japanese Special Service Section through Yamaki (山本),
Japanese advisor to the Amusement Readjustment Committee
for the reorganization under the pretext of relieving
the hardships of the "unemployed" guards of the defunct
gambling dens. By forming the so-called "East Asia
Charity Relief Association", Pan has the intention of
causing embarrassment to those dens, especially the
"1238 Club", which have been permitted to reopen by the
Japanese Military Police Authorities.

On July 2, a party of six persons visited the
"1238 Club", formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club,
1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L., and remained on the premises.
They claimed to have been despatched by the "East Asia
Charity Relief Association" with a view to supervising
the business of the club, and stated that similar parties
had been sent to the other dens which opened for business
recently. They further stated that half of the net
income of those gambling dens had to be turned over to
the treasury of the "East Asia Charity Relief Association"
for "benevolent" purposes. This action on the part of
the association embarrassed the conductors of the gambling
dens concerned to a considerable extent, and it is

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learned that the conductors have referred the matter to the Japanese Military Police, who have the intention of conducting negotiations direct with Pan San Sing.

There are now seven leading gambling dens operating in the Western District which are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. China Club	29 Tifeng Road.	Remains open after 16-6-40.
2. "1238 Club" (formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Rd., O.O.L.	Opened on 24-6-40.
3. "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Rd., O.O.L.	Opened on 26-6-40
4. "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28-6-40
5. "24 Club" (formerly known as Yu Yuen)	24 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1-7-40.
6. "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	- do -
7. "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2-7-40.

The China Club, 29 Tifeng Road, however, is not affected by the dispute, because of support of Woo Sze Pao (吳志平), Chief of the Special Service Group Headquarters, 76 Jessfield Road.

The "1238 Club", formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club, 1238 Yu Yuen Road, is under the management of Chu Zung Ling (朱順林). It is of interest to note that Chu is at loggerheads with Pan San Sing in con-

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sequence of a dispute over the gambling den business, which took place in May, 1940. Several dens in the Western District were ordered on May 31, 1940. by the Amusement Readjustment Committee to cease operations but the instructions were ignored. Meanwhile, an attempt was made by Chu Zung Ling to use force to frustrate possible interference by the Committee, but the dispute was eventually settled through the efforts of the Japanese Military Police. The present step taken by Pan San Sing is believed to be a measure of retaliation and especially directed against the manager of the "1238 Club."

Low Wei Kong.
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D.C. (Special Branch).

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

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The Chow Yuan (秋園) gambling den, 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L., which closed on June 16, 1940, reopened on July 2 in the name of "Lucky Ballroom" (好運道舞廳). At present there are seven leading gambling dens and three small dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L., and are as follows:-

Name	Address	Remarks
(1) China Club	29 Tifeng Road.	Remains open after 16-6-40.
(2) "1238 Club" (formerly known as Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24-6-40.
(3) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28-6-40.
(4) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club) (新亞總會)	884 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28-6-40.
(5) Yu Yuen Club.	15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1-7-40.
(6) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	Opened on 1-7-40.
(7) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2-7-40.
(8) Unnamed	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27-5-40.
(9) Unnamed	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27-5-40.

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(10) Huh Li Company
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43 Sing Kong Li,
Connaught Road,
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The leading gambling dens which have been permitted to resume business are reported to have paid \$100,000.00 each as a "guarantee fund" to the Japanese Military Police, and a further payment of \$3,333.00 per diem in the form of a tax, while the small dens pay \$100.00 each a day to the Western District Police Bureau as "protection fee" .

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No. S. B. D. 8037/412-0

Date July 3, 1940

Subject: Gambling Dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by: D.S.I. Loh Wei-kong, Forwarded by: D.I. Crawford.

The Chow Yuan (秋園) gambling den, 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L., which closed on June 16, 1940, reopened on July 2 in the name of "Lucky Ballroom" (好運道舞廳). At present there are seven leading gambling dens and three small dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L., and are as follows:

Name	Address	Remarks
(1) China Club	29 Tifeng Road	Remains open after 16.6.40
(2) "1238 Club" (formerly known as Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24/6/40
(3) "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 26/6/40
(4) "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club) (新亞總會)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	opened on 28/6/40
(5) Yu Yuan Club	15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40
(6) "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40
(7) "Lucky Ballroom" (formerly known as Chow Yuan)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 2/7/40
(8) Unnamed	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27/5/40
(9) Unnamed	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27/5/40

Commr. of Police
Sir:
Information.

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(D) Huh Li Company
(合利公司)

43 Sing Kong Li,
Connaught Road,
O.O.L.

Came into
existence
on 20/6/40

The leading gambling dens which have been permitted to resume business are reported to have paid \$100,000.00 each as a "guarantee fund" to the Japanese Military Police, and a further payment of \$3,333.00 per diem in the form of a tax, while the small dens pay \$100.00 each a day to the Western District Police Bureau as "protection fee".

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Row Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

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File No.
SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
Gambling No. S. B. D. Station 111C
Date 3rd July 1940

REPORT

Subject Information - Gambling in Western District.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum

Forwarded by

J. M. Farlane
C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

Further to report dated 2-7-40, in addition to these six gambling establishments already operating in the Western District, 15 Jessfield Road also opened on the night of July 2/3 1940.

S. I.
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by 3/7

A. L. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

July 3, 19 40.

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D.8039A/41(c)-O.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L.
- Situation.

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REPORT

Date July 2, 1940

Subject Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong

Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

On July 1, 1940, the Yu Yuan Club, 15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L., and the Zao Foong Club, Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L., which closed on June 16 by order of the Japanese Military Police, re-opened for business. The Zao Foong Club is now known as the "101 Club" while the Yu Yuan Club still retains its name. There are now six leading gambling dens and three small dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L., and are as follows :

Name	Address	Remarks
1. China Club	29 Tifeng Road.	Remains open after 16/6/40.
2. "1238 Club" (formerly known as Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 24/6/40.
3. "99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 26/6/40.
4. "New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club) (新亞總會)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 28/6/40.
5. Yu Yuan Club	15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.

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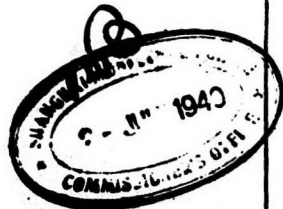
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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
6. "101 Club" (formerly known as Zao Foong Club)	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.	Opened on 1/7/40.
7. Unnamed	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 27/5/40.
8. Unnamed	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L.	- do -
9. Huh Li Co. (合利公司)	43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.	Came into existence on 20/6/40.

Reh, Wei Kong
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D. C. (Special Branch).

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. B. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 2029A/41(C)
Bubbling Well Station, 40

Date 2nd July 1940.

Subject... Information - Gambling in Western District.

Made by... Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by...

C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

Further to report dated 28-6-40, in addition to the four gambling establishments already operating in the Western area, the following three gambling establishments:

1. Zau Foon () Club, 1401 Yu Yuen road,
2. Broadway (), 884 Yu Yuen Road,
3. Yu Yuen (), 8 Oo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road,

opened on the night of July 1/2, 1940.

R. L. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Division.

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S. 1. Special Branch

Date June 29 1940

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. 1. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 1007/41(r)

Special Branch

Subject: Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L. - Situation

Made by: D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by: D. I. Crawford.

The Broadway Club, 864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L., which closed on June 16, by order of the Japanese Military Police, re-opened on June 28, in the name of the "New Asia Club" (新亞總會). There are now four leading gambling dens and three small dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L., which are as follows :

Name	Address
China Club	29 Tifeng Road.
"1238 Club" (formerly known as the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club)	1238 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
"99 Shanghai Club" (formerly known as Monte Carlo)	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
"New Asia Club" (formerly known as Broadway Club)	864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
Unnamed	28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.
Unnamed	71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
Huh Li Company (合利公司)	43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L.

The following dens which also ceased operations on June 16, will open for business shortly after interior decoration has been completed :

Yu Yuan (愚園)	15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.
Chow Yuan (秋園)	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
Zao Foong Club	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.

D. C. (Special Branch)

Lo Wei Kong
D.S.I.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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To. **The Secretary & Commissioner General**

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B. D.8039A/41(c)-0

Subject :- **Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L.
Situation**

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Date **June 27, 1940.**

Subject **Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.**

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On June 28, the "99 Shanghai Club", formerly the Monte Carlo, 184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L., opened for business.

Two other gambling dens named Yu Yuan (), 15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L., and Chow Yuan (), 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L., which closed on June 16, 1940, are expected to resume operating on June 28.

To date, there ^{are} three leading gambling dens and three small dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L., which are as follows :-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
China Club	29 Tifeng Road.
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It will be remembered that prior to June 16, there were nine leading gambling dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L. With the exception of the China Club, the eight others ceased operations on June 16, 1940 by order of the Japanese Military

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Police. Two of them entitled Li Wei Lo Amusement Club and the Monte Carlo resumed business under new names i.e. the "1238 Club" and "99 Shanghai Club" respectively on June 24 and 25. Both are reported to have paid \$100,000.00 each as a "guarantee fund" to the Japanese Military Police, and will further pay \$3,333.00 a day in the form of a tax.

Efforts are being made by other gambling dens to obtain permission from the Japanese authorities to resume business.

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FILE NO. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 80397/416-0

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REPORT

Date June 27, 1940.

Subject: Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L. - Situation

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

Comm. of D. S. I.

Sir:

Information:

R. J. Yorke

D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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R. J. Yorke

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On June 26, the "99 Shanghai Club," formerly the Monte Carlo, 184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L., opened for business.

Two other gambling dens named Yu Yuan (愚園), 15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L., and Chow Yuan (秋園), 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L., which closed on June 16, 1940, are expected to resume operating on June 28.

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Lo Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

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REPORT

File No.
SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
GAMBLING REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 2037 A/410
Date 27th June 1940
Date

Subject (in full)..... Information - Gambling in Western District.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by J. M. Farlane C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

It has been reported that the Yoong Sung (榮士)
Gambling Establishment situated at 30 Kong Kya Jau (康家桥)
off Jessfield Road, re-opened to the public at 8 p.m.
26-6-40.

R. L. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

June 25, 1940 .

CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D. 8039A/41(C)-O.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. B. REGISTRY

File No. 8057/416

Date June 25, 1940.

Subject: Gambling Dens in Western District, C.O.L.

Made by: D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong. Forwarded by: D. I. Crawford.

Name of Person

Sir:

Information

R. D. J. for
D. C. (S. B.)

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* Hollywood or
"1238" Club.

100,000 passes quoted
in previous report.

R. D. J. 25/6

At 2 p.m. June 24, the "1238 Club", formerly the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club, which is situated behind Hollywood Garden, Yu Yuen Road, C.O.L., opened for business.

Two other gambling dens, one the Monte Carlo, 184 Hong Nya Jao, off Jessfield Road, C.O.L., and the Yu Yuen (愚園), 15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, C.O.L. which closed on June 16, 1940, are also to resume business. The Monte Carlo is expected to reopen to-day, June 25, with the name of the "99 Shanghai Club", while the Yu Yuen is expected to resume on June 26.

With reference to the large ^{number of} ~~figure~~ of passes, it has been ascertained that 20,000 have already been issued.

Row Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
Bubbling _____
No. S. B. D. _____
Date 25th June 1940
Date _____

Subject Information - Gambling in Western District.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by J. McFarlane Inspector i/c.

Sir;

It is reported that the Hollywood gambling establishment, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, re-opened to the public at 8 p.m. 24-6-40. Entrance to the establishment is through the Eventail Night Club, 1238 Yu Yuen Road. Preparations are being made to open other gambling dens during this week. Particulars of these places will be forwarded when obtained.

R. B. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

June 25, 19 40.

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To. Secretary & Commissioner General,

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B. D.8039A/41(C)

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S. B. REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 399A/HIC
S.1, Special Branch
Date June 23 1940

REPORT

Subject: Gambling Dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - to reopen.

Made by: D.S.I. Loh Wei-kong Forwarded by: D.I. Crawford

According to information obtained, the following three gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., which closed on June 16, 1940, will reopen under new titles :-

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|---------------------|---|
| (1) Li Wei Lo (利維盧) | Behind Hollywood Garden,
Amusement Club. 1204 Yu Yuen Rd. O.O.L. |
| (2) Monte Carlo | 184 Kong Kya Jao, off
Jessfield Road, O.O.L. |
| (3) Yu Yuan (愚園) | 15 Woo Ping Road, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |

The Li Wei Loo Amusement Club will resume business on June 24 in the name of "1238 Club" (1238 being the house number of the premises, fixed by Chinese authorities), while the Monte Carlo and the Yu Yuan are expected to reopen at the end of June with new titles.

Admission to the "1238 Club" will be confined to persons in possession of "passes" to be issued by the club. A total of 100,000 "passes" have been prepared for distribution, a copy of which is attached. In addition to the pass, any person intending to enter the club must purchase a "ticket" valued at \$50.00 which is ^{only} good for gambling.

It is learned that permission to re-open was obtained by the conductors concerned as a result of successful negotiations with the Japanese Military Police authorities. The "1238 Club" has paid \$100,000.00 as a "guarantee fund" to the Japanese Military Police and will pay a further sum of

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\$3,333.00 a day in the form of a tax when it starts business. Similar conditions are to be complied with by the Monte Carlo and the Yu Yuan gambling dens.

Efforts for the resumption of business are being continued by other gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. which were also closed by order of the Japanese Military Police.

The Amusement Readjustment Committee, House B.23, Lane 126 Kinnear Road, which is in charge of Pan San Sing (潘三省), will, it is reported, cease functioning at the end of June.

Row Wei Kong.
D.S.I.

D.C. (Special Branch)

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S. 1, Special

REPORT

Date June 22 1940.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
FILE REGISTRY
No S. B. D. 8039/41C-0
Branch 2611/11/16 40

Subject Small gambling dens established in Western District, O.O.L.

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

Comm. of Police
S.I.
Information

R. W. Crawford
D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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A new gambling den (small) to be known as the "Huh Li Company" (合利公司) commenced operations on June 20 at 43 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L. The conductor is one TSANG CHI PING (張繼品), a notorious loafer in the Western District, who is now connected with the Detective Squad of the Western District Police Bureau, 13 Jessfield Road. This den pays \$100.00 a day to the Western District Police Bureau and \$300.00 to the loafers and the followers of the conductor.

There are three small gambling dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L. Two have no names and are situated at House 71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, and 28 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L. They were established by one LI CHING LING (李慶林) on May 27, 1940.

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Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY

S. 1. Special Branch

REPORT

Date June 21 1940

Subject (in full) Hwo Wei Lottery in the Western District, O.O.L.

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

The Hwo Wei lottery in the Western District, O.O.L. which ceased functioning on June 16, 1940, has resumed in a secret manner. The headquarters is situated at 94 Yoong Yuen Pang, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L., and the conductor is WOO SZE PAO (吴士保), in charge of the Special Service Group of the Shanghai Office of the Ministry of Police, 76 Jessfield Road.

Comm. of P.

Sir:

Information

R. D. Ford

D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch)



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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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Section 1, Special Branch *Station* /

REPORT

Date June 18, 1940.

Subject... Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by... D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by... D.I. Crawford

(Vide Special
Branch report
dated 17/6/40)

With the exception of the China Club, 29
Tifeng Road, the following gambling dens which
ceased operations on June 16 by order of the
Japanese Military Police, remain closed :-

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|---------------------------------|---|
| (1) Yih Lo (亦 廬) | 368 Avenue Maig, O.O.L. |
| (2) Hillman Club | 121 Yoong Yuan Pang,
Lane 1921 off Bubbling
Well Road, O.O.L. |
| (3) Li Wei Lo
Amusement Club | Behind Hollywood Garden,
1204 Yu Yuen Road,
O.O.L. |
| (4) Monte Carlo | 184 Kong Kya Jao, off
Jessfield Road, O.O.L. |
| (5) Zao Foong Club | Yu Yuen Road, opposite
the Jessfield Park,
O.O.L. |
| (6) Chow Yuan (秋 園) | 15 Jessfield Road,
O.O.L. |
| (7) Yu Yuan (愚 園) | 15 Woo Ping Road, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |
| (8) Broadway Club | 864 Yu Yuen Road,
O.O.L. |

As previously reported, efforts are being continued
by conductors of the gambling dens concerned to
obtain a resumption of business under new titles
or in other forms.

Watch is being maintained by Special Branch
members and any development will be the subject of
a further report.

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Loh Wei Kong
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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REPORT

Bubbling Well Station,

Date 18th. June 1940.

Subject (in full) Gambling in Western District.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by J. M. Farlane C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

The China Club, 29 Tifeng Road, was the only gambling den in the Western area open on the night of 17/18 June 1940.

R. J. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

Attach I B report

R. J. Farlane
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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

June 17, 19 40 .

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

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REPORT

Date June 17 1940

Subject. Gambling dens in the Western District, -O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by. D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

On the instructions of the Japanese Military Police, the gambling dens in the Western District closed on June 16 with the exception of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road.

Between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m., June 16, four armed members of the Japanese Military Police, visited eight of the nine leading gambling dens and took away the arms and ammunition in possession of the guards. This step was taken by the Japanese Military Police as a precaution against possible opposition to their closure by the conductors of dens, because of the attitude previously adopted by the Li Wei Lo Gambling Den on May 31, 1940.

At 2 p.m., the same day, the following gambling dens ceased operations on orders from the Japanese Military Police :

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|---------------------------------|--|
| (1) Yih Lo (亦 廬) | 368 Avenue Haig,
O.O.L. |
| (2) Hillman Club | 121 Yoong Yuan Pang,
Lane 1921 off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |
| (3) Li Wei Lo
Amusement Club | Behind Hollywood
Garden, 1204 Yu Yuan
Road, O.O.L. |
| (4) Monte Carlo | 184 Kong Kya Jao, off
Jessfield Road, O.O.L. |
| (5) Zao Foong Club | Yu Yuen Road, opposite
the Jessfield Park,
O.O.L. |

Commr. of Police
Sir
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D.C. (Sp. Br.)



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- (6) Chow Yuan (秋園) 15 Jessfield Road,
O.O.L.
- (7) Yu Yuan (愚園) 15 Woo Ping Road, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L.
- (8) Broadway Club 864 Yu Yuen Road,
O.O.L.

However, at 3 p.m., June 16, the Li Wei Lo, Monte Carlo, and Yu Yuan reopened, and at 4 p.m. the Broadway Club, and Zao Foong Club also resumed functioning.

Learning that the five of the dens had resumed operations in defiance of the order, a party of Japanese Military Police consisting of about ten men armed with pistols and some 80 Chinese police armed with rifles proceeded by motor trucks to the gambling dens concerned between 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. and four of the dens immediately closed before the arrival of the party, but the Monte Carlo, 184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L. was found to be still in operation. The raiding party entered the premises and overturned the gambling paraphernalia and damaged the furniture, and before leaving closed the den.

It is learned that efforts are being continued by conductors of the gambling dens concerned to obtain a resumption of business under new titles or in other forms.

The two unnamed small gambling dens located

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at House 71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, and 28
Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L. which started
functioning on May 27, 1940, still continue, but it
is expected that they will be visited and closed
also.

The Hwa Wei Lottery gambling den with
headquarters at 94 Yoong Yuen Pang, off Bubbling
Well Road, O.O.L. also ceased functioning on June 16.

Rob Wei Kang
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch)

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File No.

Bubbling Well Station,

REPORT

Date 16th. June 1940.

Subject. Information - Gambling in Western District.

Made by. Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by *J. M. Farlane* C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

It is reliably reported that all gambling dens in the Western area closed their doors early on the morning of 16-6-40 with the exception of the China Club at 29 Tifeng Road and the Yu Yuen Club at Oo Ping Road, S.C.G.P.B..

During the late hours of 15-6-40 and the early hours of 16-6-40, members of the Japanese Military Police visited the gambling dens scheduled to close and collected all firearms in possession of gambling den employees.

D.S. Nagamune states that about 300 pistols were collected and the owners of the pistols were compensated in cash according to the estimated value of the pistol taken.

R. L. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

June 12, 1940 .

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D.8039A/41(C)-0.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L.
- Situation.

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File No. S. G. REGISTRY

No. S. A. D 8039/4K0-0

S.1, Special Branch

Date 27 June 11, 1940.

Date June 11, 1940.

Subject Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei-kong, Forwarded by D.I. Crawford.

The conductors of the gambling dens now operating in the Western District are making efforts to continue their existence. They have entered into repeated negotiations with the Japanese Military Police using their financial influence, but so far no definite order has been received from the Japanese authorities. The conductors believe that the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road, will not be affected, because of support of WOO SZE PAO (吴士儒), Chief of the Special Service Group of 76 Jessfield Road. It will be remembered that those gambling dens have been advised by the Japanese Military Police to cease operations as from June 15, 1940.

There are nine leading gambling houses operating in the Western District :

- (1) Yih Lo (亦廬) 368 Avenue Haig, O.O.L.
- (2) Hillman Club 121 Yoong Yuan Pang, Lane 1921 off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.
- (3) Li Wei Lo Amusement Club Behind Hollywood Garden, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
- (4) Monte Carlo 184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
- (5) Zao Foong Club Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.
- (6) Chow Yuan (秋園) 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
- (7) Yu Yuan (愚園) 15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.

Commr. of Police
Sir:
Information.

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- (8) Broadway Club 864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
(9) China Club 29 Tifeng Road.

The office of the Amusement Readjustment Committee was removed on June 10 from Lane 126, 20 Kinneer Road, to House B.23 of the same lane, Kinneer Road. Mr. Yamaki (山本四郎), Japanese advisor to the Committee is living at this address. The house vacated is being used as quarters for some 20 bodyguards of FANG SAN SING (潘三省) who is in charge of the Amusement Readjustment Committee.

Low Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

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BY CARROLL D. ALCOCK

Finance Investigation

THE Japanese call it the "Finance Investigation Society." And the name is quite appropriate. They investigate your finances and then take them away from you.

Upon entering the establishment, you are greeted by a Japanese civilian who escorts you into a large room and then the investigating business begins—over a roulette wheel.

The place is located at 82 Yates Road in the heart of the International Settlement. When the establishment was first opened several months, it was called the Sino-Japanese Research Association. The name was changed several weeks ago.

Just how this concern happens to be operating in the Settlement is one of the numerous official secrets they have hereabouts. I understand that because the place has official Japanese backing, the S.M.C. is a bit hesitant about taking direct action to close it up. However, the street fronting the premises of the "Finance Investigation Society" presents a rather interesting spectacle every evening. Police riot vans draw up to the curb and patrolmen and special search parties halt all and sundry.

Bad For Business

As a result of this intense activity in front of No. 82 Yates Road, very little "financial investigation" has taken place on the premises of that establishment for some time. The operators have complained more than once to the police that their search parties are "bad for our business." The police answer to that is that they are acting in interests of law and order. They can't afford to have any shootings around the Yates Road zone. Hence, the search party work continues in that area as a matter of routine.

A considerable flare-up developed Wednesday evening of last week, or maybe it was Thursday, when a Japanese member of the S.M.P. strolled into the picture and sought to remonstrate with members of the search party on behalf of the "Finance Investigation Society." As I get the story, he had no authority to interfere, but that didn't stop him. The argument became heated and the Japanese struck a foreign sergeant. I am told that the sergeant retaliated and that the search party work continued. It is still being carried on.

Commr. of Police.

Sir:

Information.

R. D. Alcock

D. C. (Sp. Br.)



Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

June 4, 1940

CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- **S.B.D.8039A/41(C).**

Subject :- **Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation.**

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Date June 3, 1940.

Subject. Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

Between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., June 2, a meeting was held in the quarters of the Bank of China, which is connected with 94 Jessfield Road, at which Chief ITO (伊藤) and Warrant Officer SHIDA (支田) of the Japanese Military Police in the Western District, and the conductors of the eleven gambling dens attended. During this meeting, ITO informed the conductors that they would be allowed to continue their business for a further two weeks and that should they fail to close their respective dens on June 15, the Japanese Military Police would then take action.

Same as before
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Loh Wei Kong.
D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch).

Commr. of Police.
Sir:
Information.
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D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D. 9039A/41(C)

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REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 8039A/44(2)

Date June 2, 1940

Subject: Gambling Dens in the Western District - Situation

Made by: D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by: D.I. Crawford

On May 31, a decision was reached and passed by the Amusement Readjustment Committee, Lane 126, 20 Kinnear Road to close the following gambling dens:

- | | |
|--|---|
| (1) Soong Yuen (松園) | 626 Avenue Haig, O.O.L. |
| (2) Yih Lo (怡樂) | 368 Avenue Haig, O.O.L. |
| (3) Hillman Club
(formerly known as
Yoong Yuan Amusement
Society) | 121 Yoong Yuan Pang,
Lane 1921, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |
| (4) Li Wei Lo Amusement
Club | Behind Hollywood Garden,
1204 Yu Yuen Road,
O.O.L. |
| (5) Honeymoon Club | Premises next to 42
Great Western Road,
O.O.L. |

The Honeymoon Club and the Soong Yuen accordingly closed at 12 noon and 12 midnight of May 31. The Li Wei Lo Amusement Club, however, refused to obey the order, while the two others have adopted a hesitating attitude and still remain open.

The Li Wei Lo Amusement Club was closely connected with the Amusement Readjustment Committee, Lane 126, 20 Kinnear Road, then in charge of LI SZE CHUNG (李士群). But on the departure of LI SZE CHUNG for Nanking to assume the post of Vice Minister of Police of the New Central Government, PAN SAN SING (潘三省) took charge of the Amusement Readjustment Committee, and he is said to be at loggerheads with CHU ZUNG LING (朱頌林), Manager of the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club.

Cd. r. of Police
Sir:
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Following the receipt of an order for its suspension, CHU ZUNG LING, Manager of the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club, raised an objection and continued functioning. All the guards in the employ of the Club and followers of CHU ZUNG LING were assembled on the premises and armed with some 100 Mauser pistols with a view to taking precautions against possible interference by the Amusement Readjustment Committee. The manager was of the opinion that the closure of the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club would affect the livelihood of a large number of persons who would interfere with peace and order if thrown out of employment. This action on the part of the manager of the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club has caused considerable embarrassment to the Amusement Readjustment Committee and the refusal to close by this Club may affect the prestige of the Committee and cause other gambling dens to follow its example.

A meeting was held later in the home of PAN SAN SING, Lane 126, House 10 Kinnear Road, which was attended by G. AKINO (秋野一馬), known as Li Tsiu Ya (李秋野), an influential Korean in the Western District connected with the Japanese Special Service Section, one ITO (伊藤), Chief of the Military Police in the Western District, WOO SZE PAO (吳士寶), Chief of the Special Service Group of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern and

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National Salvation Army, 76 Jessfield Road, and
WONG TEH LING (王德林), Chief of the Western
District Police Bureau. At this meeting, it was
decided that the Li Wei Lo Amusement Club be
permitted to carry on business for the time being
pending a further discussion on the operating of
gambling dens.

As a result of this decision, the other
gambling dens, which should have closed, continue
to function.

Rob Wei Kong
D. S. I.

D.C.(Special Branch).

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File No.....

REPORT

Bubbling Well Station,

Date 1st. June 19 40.

Subject Information - Gambling Dens in Western District.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

Further to attached report I beg to submit the following information:

On or about the 28-5-40 all gambling den employees working in the gambling dens located in the Western area with the exception of "Farren's", were instructed by the Japanese Gendarmerie, 94 Jessfield Road, to register at this address. Such particulars as name, age, nativity, etc., were taken and an order was given to those issued with or carrying pistols for protectional purposes to surrender same to the Japanese Gendarmerie on or before June 1, 1940.

As a result of a meeting held last night 31-5-40 at the home of Pan San Sing (潘三省), House 10, Lane 126, Kinnear Road, it was decided that the following gambling establishments would cease operation temporarily from 31-5-40:

1. Yih Loo (亦露), 368 Avenue Haig.
 2. Honeymoon (會樂堂), 42 Great Western Road.
 3. Hillman (喜來門), Yoong Zee Pang, off Yu Yuen Road
 4. Soong Yuen (宋園), Great Western Road.
- The proposal to close:
5. Broadway (百老匯), 864 Yu Yuen Road.
 6. Hollywood (好萊塢), 1204 Yu Yuen Road.
 7. Monte Carlo (蒙地卡羅), Kong Kya Jau.
 8. Autumn Garden (秋園), 15 Jessfield

was met with much opposition by the promoters and conductors of these establishment who adopted a truculent

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attitude and defied Pan San Sing, the elected controller of the gambling establishments in the Western area.

It is also said, that during the meeting, one, Chu Zung Ling (朱仲林), conductor of Hollywood, almost came to blows with Pan San Sing and as an agreement could not be reached between Pan San Sing and the promoters of the last named four gambling establishments, the parties concerned referred the matter for decision to Warrant Officer Shida, Japanese Military Police, 94 Jessfield Road. This officer referred the contending parties to 76 Jessfield Road.

At 76 Jessfield Road, after much discussion with Woo S Pau (吴书宝), it was agreed that the last named four gambling establishments would be allowed to remain open for a further period.

At 4 p.m. to-day 1-6-40, a meeting of all gambling den promoters and conductors in the Western area is being held at 94 Jessfield Road, Japanese Gendarmerie Headquarters, for the purposes of further discussion.

R. L. Johnson
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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..... May 31, 19 40 .

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- **S.B.D.8039A/41(C) -O.**

Subject :- **Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation.**

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S.1, Special Branch ~~Section~~

REPORT

Date May 31, 1940.

Subject Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

According to information obtained from a reliable source, five of the eleven gambling dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L. will close to-night, May 31 by order of the Amusement Readjustment Committee. Those to be affected are as follows :

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|--|---|
| (1) Soong Yuen (松園) | 626 Avenue Haig, O.O.L. |
| (2) Yih Lo (怡樂) | 368 Avenue Haig, O.O.L. |
| (3) Hillman Club
(formerly known as
Young Yuan Amusement
Society) | 121 Young Yuan Pang,
Lane 1921 off Bubbling
Well Road, O.O.L. |
| (4) Li Wei Lo Amusement
Club | Behind Hollywood Garden,
1204 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L. |
| (5) Honeymoon Club | Premises next to 42
Great Western Road,
O.O.L. |

The following dens are to be permitted to carry on functioning for a further period of two months :

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|---|---|
| (1) Monte Carlo
(formerly known as
Yung Sung Club). | 184 Kong Kya Jao, off
Jessfield Road, O.O.L. |
| (2) Zao Foong Club | Yu Yuen Road, opposite
the Jessfield Park,
O.O.L. |
| (3) Chow Yuan (秋園) | 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L. |
| (4) Yu Yuan (愚園) | 15 Woo Ping Road, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |
| (5) Broadway Club | 864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L. |
| (6) China Club | 29 Tifeng Road. |

Commr. of Police
Sir:
Information.

D.I. Crawford
D.I. (Sp. Br.)

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It is reported that so long as they are permitted to function, the gambling dens concerned are required to pay a total sum of \$8,000.00 per diem to the Amusement Readjustment Committee.

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Loh Wei Kong.
D. S. I.

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REPORT

S. 1. Special Branch Station

Date May 29 1940

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. 1. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 8039/41
Date 27 40

Subject. Small gambling dens established in the Western District, O.O.L.

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

On May 27, two unnamed small gambling dens opened for business at House 71 Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, and Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L. The conductor of both dens is one Li Ching Ling (李慶林), nicknamed Li Ma Bi (李麻皮), who was formerly in charge of the guards of the now defunct Fu Sung Company (富生公司), a gambling den previously operating at 10 Ting Nyien Li (Lane 16), off Brennan Road, O.O.L.. A protection fee, of \$200.00 a day is reported to be paid to the detectives of the Western District Police Bureau, 13 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.

In the same alleyways, open air gambling stalls are being conducted by one Tsang Chi Ping (張繼品), a notorious loafer in the Western District.

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Sir:
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R. D. Y. K.
D.C. (Sp. Br.)

(Vide Special Branch report - 27/5/40).

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Loh Wei Kong
D. S. I.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

REPORT

Subject. Observation at 82 Yates Road.

Misc. File No. 113/40.
SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
Chengtu Road Station
Date. May 31 1940
Date. 31 5.40

Made by. D. S. Snuggs

Forwarded by.

Officer i/c.

Sir,

In accordance with instructions issued by the Senior Detective i/c Chengtu Road, the undersigned in company with C.D.C.'s 227 and 213 proceeded to the vicinity of No. 82 Yates Road at 9.30 p.m. 28/5/40 and there kept observation.

The idea of the observation, was to apprehend any male Chinese leaving the above premises in order to obtain information in support of allegations that gambling was being conducted inside the above premises, (the apprehension to be effected out of vision of persons interested in No. 82 Yates Road to avoid complications.)

At about 10.30 p.m. 28/5/40 two male Chinese were observed to leave the premises in question, on foot, they were followed by the above party of detectives and apprehended on Avenue Woch near Yates Road, when they were subsequently brought to the station for enquiries which ascertained the following :-

The identity of the 1st person was a

Mr. F.C. Chu (朱福鈞) Broadcasting Manager of Station X.H.H.E. with offices at 579 Kiukiang Road.

The latter it appears attended 82 Yates Road at the invitation of one named Mr. Lee whom he the former was supposed to interview at these premises.

The above Chu states that he entered the premises at about 9 p.m. even date and after explaining the object of his visit, he was directed to a ground floor waiting room by a page boy, who immediately proceeded

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to the upper floor, probably to announce the arrival of Chu. The page however returned two or three minutes later and requested Chu to wait.

About ten minutes later the second apprehended person entered the waiting room. he was one named Jing Chu Pah (秦秋白) salesman for the Shing Jee (信記) Radio Factory situated at 353 Nanking Road.

The latter had visited the above premises in order to collect the sum of \$705.68 from the same Mr. Lee for radio accessories supplied to the latter by the above radio factory. Detectives obtained a copy of the radio accessories supplied by this firm which is itemized as follows :-

<u>Supplied to Mr. Lee 82</u>		<u>Dated 28/5/40.</u>
<u>Yates Road.</u>		<u>Bill No. 1003.</u>
2. High voltage power trans-		\$391.00.
formers.		
2. .002 M.F.D. Micamold mica		\$ 2.00.
Condensers.		
4. High voltage oil condensers.		\$180.00.
Installation by National Electri-		\$121.08.
cal Company.		
1. A.M.A. No. 541 R.F. Chock.		.60.
1 Chromium condenser.		\$ 11.00.
Total:-		<u>\$705.68.</u>

Apparently the salesman in question was also instructed to wait, and, as the latter was acquainted with the above Chu they conversed with each other, until about 10.25 p.m. when the page informed them that Mr. Lee was too busy and would interview them on the

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following day.

It appears that whilst waiting for Mr. Lee, both the above persons were served freely with refreshments, resulting in which the above Chu when apprehended by the Police appeared to be under the influence of alcohol, he was therefore not questioned to any extent.

The salesman, who appeared to be sober, when questioned could not supply any information as to whether gambling was being conducted on the premises or not. The latter however, was of the opinion that a Broadcasting Station was definitely being installed on the premises.

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Sen. Det. i/c.

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Officer i/c, Special Branch.

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S. B. REGISTRY
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S.1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date May 30, 1940.

Subject. Gambling Den in Western District - reported closure

Made by D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

The news article appearing in the Chinese press of May 30th Issue in connection with the closure of the Hollywood gambling den, known as the Li Wei Lo (利維羅) Amusement Club, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L., is incorrect. The management of the gambling den deny having received any such instructions from the Japanese authorities and the den is still functioning to-day, May 30.

It is reported that a meeting is to be held in the Amusement Readjustment Committee, Lane 126, 20 Kinnear Road, in the afternoon of May 30 when the conductors of the gambling dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L. will be in attendance to discuss the questions of their establishments and their closure. The majority of the conductors firmly believe that they will be ordered by the Amusement Readjustment Committee to close their dens on May 31 or at the beginning of June.

An unconfirmed report is to the effect that the premises of the Li Wei Lo, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L. will be used as the "Woosung-Shanghai Garrison Commissioner's Headquarters."

D.C.(Special Branch).

Loh Wei Kong
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According to information from another source, the gambling dens will resume operations after a certain period because their employees, numbering more than 10,000, will find it difficult to maintain their livelihood after the closure. Therefore, the reduction of dens will be made gradually. Whether this information is true or not remains to be seen.

The Hollywood Gambling Den on Yu Yuen Road was forced to close down yesterday by the Japanese authorities. It is learned that upon its closure the gambling den will undergo repairs and all its paraphernalia will be removed. It is reported that the new government will establish on the premises a so-called "Woosung-Shanghai Garrison Commissioner's Headquarters." According to information from another source, the premises will be used as the headquarters of the Special Police Force.

National Herald, Ta Mei Pao and Chinese-American Daily News :-

BRITISH SOLDIER ATTEMPTS TO CUT DOWN FLAGPOLE OF GERMAN BANK

According to an announcement made to-day, on the afternoon of May 26 a British soldier suddenly broke into the Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, a German bank, on Kiukiang Road, with the intention of cutting down the German flagpole on the roof of the bank with a saw and at the same time he destroyed several window panes. He was taken to a Police Station by a police constable. In this connection, the German Consul-General at Shanghai lodged a protest with the S.M.C. yesterday and demanded a satisfactory settlement of the event.----Transocean.

Furthermore according to the Ta Chung News Agency, the British soldier in question was taken to offer an apology to the German Consul-General; hence the matter will probably be settled.

National Herald and Chinese-American Daily News :-

BRITISH SOLDIERS' FAMILIES REMOVE FROM BADLANDS

Several families of the British Defence Force at Shanghai removed from the Chung Yih Hsin Tsung (中一新村) lane on Edinburgh Road and Kinnear Road, Western District, yesterday morning. The reason for their removal is the poor sanitation in the Badlands.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

May 28, 1940.

CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D.8039A/41(C)-O.

Subject :- Gambling Dens in the Western District, O.O.L.-
situation.

Enclosures

Copy of a Police Report.

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REGISTRY

No. S. A. D. 8039/HIC-0

S.1. Special Branch 11/11/40

REPORT

Date May 27 1940

Subject. Gambling Dens in the Western District, O.O.L. - situation

Made by. D.S.I. Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

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There is
a report on
similar lines
from B.W.
Ltn. dated
27/5.

R. H. J. J. J.

D. L. (S.D.)

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DC (S.D.)
Cp) S.D.C.



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Unrest exists among the conductors of the eleven gambling dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L., in consequence of a report that the "Amusement Readjustment Committee," Lane 126, 20 Kinnear Road, will close their establishments. They have information that the dens are to be ordered to close at the end of May, 1940, but nothing is definitely known.

An appeal was made recently to the Amusement Readjustment Committee by the conductors of the following gaming houses that they be allowed to carry on their business:-

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|--------------------------------|---|
| 1) Soong Yuen (松園) | 626 Avenue Haig O.O.L. |
| 2) Hillman Club | 121 Yoong Yuan Fang,
Lane 1921 off
Bubbling Well Rd.,
O.O.L. |
| 3) Yu Yuen (易園) | 15 Woo Ping Rd., Off
Bubbling Well Rd.,
O.O.L. |
| 4) China Club | 29 Tifeng Road. |
| 5) Honeymoon Club | Premises next to
No. 42 Great Western
Road, O.O.L. |
| 6) Li Wei Lo Amusement
Club | Behind Hollywood
Garden, 1204 Yu Yuen
Rd., O.O.L. |

It is stated that the conductors were informed by YAMAKI (山本), Japanese in charge of the Amusement Readjustment Committee that all the gambling dens now in existence might be suppressed, but the decision rested with the Headquarters of the

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Japanese Military Special Service Department, and he would forward their appeal to the Japanese Military Special Service Department for consideration.

It is also learned that several gambling dens which closed at the beginning of April and May, still retain the lease of their respective premises and have their furniture and gambling paraphernalia stored in those places.

Open air gambling is at present being conducted by one TSANG CHI PING(*張奇平*), a notorious loafer in the Western District who has two gambling stalls operating in the Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, and Zung Zoen Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L. He is assisted by a number of unemployed guards from the defunct gambling dens. TSANG CHI PING is said to have obtained informal approval of the Western District Police Bureau to conduct those open air gambling stalls and is paying the latter \$100.00 a day as protection fee.

C.H.S.

Low Wei Kong
D. S. I.

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D. U. (Special Branch)

SHANGHAI EVENING POST & MERCURY

MAY 25 1946

Closure Of Badland Gambling Dens Said Slated Early June

The 11 gambling dens still functioning in the badlands area will be closed by the beginning of next month, it is reported from a reliable source this morning.

Promises by the authorities in the area but delayed during the past two months, the reported order to close down the den is believed to be due to the establishment of the joint police body in the "outside roads" area, which is expected to start operating early next month.

Early this month three of the larger gaming dens in the badlands were closed, but 11 continued to operate. The houses which still remain open are Soong Yuen, Li Wei Loo, Yih Loo, Monte Carlo, Jessfield, Autumn Garden, Hillman Club, Yu Yuan, Broadway, Honeymoon and China gambling clubs.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Misc. File No. 371/40.

REPORT

Bubbling Well Station,

Date 27th. May 19 40.

Subject Information - Gambling Dens in Western District.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum

Forwarded by

J. M. Farlane
C/Inspector i/c.

Sir;

Further to attached reports, I beg to submit the following information which has been supplied from a fairly reliable source.

At present there are 11 gambling establishments operating in the Western Area:

Zau Foong (兆豐) Club (Welton Cabaret), 1401 Yu Yuen Road.
Broadway (百老匯), 864 Yu Yuen Road.

Hollywood (好萊塢), 1204 Yu Yuen Road.

Monte Carlo (蒙地卡羅), Kong Kya Jau.

Autumn Garden or Cheu Yuen (秋園), 15 Jessfield Road.

Yu Yuen (玉園) Club, 15 Oo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road.

China Club (華人總會), 29 Tifeng Road.

Soong Yuen (松園), Great Western Road.

Honeymoon (金婚宮), 42 Great Western Road.

Yih Lee (怡麗), 368 Avenue Haig.

Hillman (喜來門), Yeong Zee Pang, off Yu Yuen Road.

All of the above gambling dens will close on the 31-5-40 with the exception of the three mentioned below:

1. Zau Foong Club, 1401 Yu Yuen Road.
2. Yu Yuen Club, 15 Oo Ping Road, off B'Well Road.
3. China Club, 29 Tifeng Road.

It is said that these three will not close for reasons that the conductors and promoters have considerable influence with the present administration.

Kao Ah Kung (高阿根), an intimate friend of one "Kung" (耿), secretary of Ts Ming Yi (褚民誼) (a brother-in-law of Wong Ching Wei), is the manager of the Zau

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Foong Club, 1401 Yu Yuen Road.

Yoong Ping Kung (榮炳根) is the leader (Lau Deu Ts) of Woo S Pao (吳書室), executive officer at 76 Jessfield Road.

Ts Ming Yi (brother-in-law of Wong Ching Wei) and Loo Ying (盧英) (Commissioner of the Shanghai City Government Police) are said to be the owners of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road, which is conducted by Pan San Sing (潘三省) an official of the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti Comintern and National Salvation Army, 76 Jessfield Road.

There is no intimation that the opium hongs established in the Western area contemplate closing down in the near future.

R. E. Tabrum

Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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S. B. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 8997 (100)

Date 25 5 40

CHINA PRESS

MAY 25 1940

Central Badlands

In the center of the Settlement there is a gambling casino. Readers, of course, will not be startled out of bed by this statement, because we have not exposed a precedent.

However, we wonder what third power consulate here has refused to believe the existence gambling at this address, and thus offset, intentionally or unintentionally we don't know, police action?

Commr. of Police.

Sir:

Information.

R. D. Forke.

D. C. (Sp. B.)



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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

..... May 17, 1940 .

CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- **S.B.D. 8039A/41(C)-0.**

Subject :- **Hwo Wei Lottery in Western District.**

Enclosures

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File No. **REGISTRY**

S.1, Special Branch, **Station**

REPORT

Date **May 16, 1940.**

Subject **Hwo Wei Lottery in Western District**

Made by **and** Forwarded by **D.I. Crawford**

Commr. of Police
Sir:

Information.

R. D. Forbes
D.C. (Sp. Br.)

DC (Sp. Br.)
Capt. S. D. C.
S. C. G.
B.M. USMC
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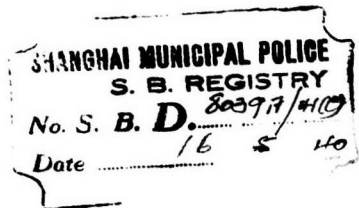
Information has been received to the effect that a "hwo-wei" lottery was re-established on May 14 in the Western District. The headquarters have been given the name of "Yih Li" (益利) situated at 94 Yoong Yuen Pang, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L., and is in charge of WOO SZE PAO (吴在保), chief of the Special Service Group of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern and National Salvation Army, 76 Jessfield Road, with one LOH PAH LOH (陆伯豪), as his assistant. WOO SZE PAO is said to have agreed to pay \$500.00 a day to the Amusement Readjustment Committee, Lane 126, No.20 Kinnear Road, for permission to conduct the lottery.

It will be remembered that "hwo-wei" lottery dens in the Western District, O.O.L. were closed on March 31, 1940 in accordance with instructions issued by the Amusement Readjustment Committee. A number of them, however, resumed functioning in April with approval unofficially from certain prominent members of the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern and National Salvation Army.

Following the formal opening of this headquarters for a "hwo-wei" lottery, the dens which were closed are now making arrangements with WOO SZE PAO for re-starting.

D.C. (Special Branch).

C. Crawford
D. I.



GAMBLING HOUSE - OPENED LAST NIGHT.

LANE 155 - House No.360.

GROUND FLOOR: Portuguese Club, under the name of "Sociedade Recreativo-1940".

SECOND & THIRD FLOOR : All kind of gambling tables.

THE CAPITAL : Belongs to Chinese.

S.M.C. should investigate this particular house, being the center of the Settlement.

DIRTY SHAME !

Medhurst Road.

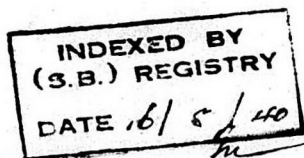
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Li,

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I understand Mr. Leonoff, China Press, has called on you re. this news article.

R.D. Forke.
D.L. (S.B.)
14/5.

May 12 1940

Morning Translation

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Ta Mei Pao and National Herald :-

A NEW GAMBLING DEN IN INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT

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According to information secured yesterday, a new gambling den under foreign management was established in the International Settlement on May 10, the capital being put up by Chinese. It is said that the business of this den is prosperous, the address has so far not been divulged.

P.A.

Ascertain early from
these two newspapers
to which premises this
report refers?

R. J. C.
14/5

CHINA PRESS.

MAY 12 1940

Big New Gambling Den Said Operating Inside Settlement

A large new gambling den, backed by Chinese capital and operating under the false front of a foreign recreation club, opened in the heart of the Settlement on Friday night, it was reported yesterday.

The establishment was stated to be run on a grand scale, with gambling games of many descriptions humming busily on the first and second floors.

This was the first report of a large new gambling house opening in the Settlement since the Asia Club on Gordon Road closed down voluntarily about a month ago.

The notorious Asia Club closed down after the conclusion of negotiations between the Municipal Council and the Japanese authorities on the Western extra-Settlement areas.

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Ask Mr. Leouff or Mr. Pomeroy
to which premises this report
refers?
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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

..... May 2, 1940 .

CONFIDENTIAL

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- **S.B. D.8039A/41(c)-O.**

Subject :- **Gambling Dens in Western District - Situation.**

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REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 80397/410-6

S.1, Special Branch, 40

REPORT

Date May 1, 1940

Subject: Gambling Dens in Western District - Situation

Made by Clerk Loh Wei Kong Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

At 1 a.m., May 1, a telephone message was received by the following gambling dens from the "Amusement Readjustment Committee," Lane 126, No.20 Kinnear Road, instructing them to close down at once :

Name	Address
1. Fu Sung Company (富 生)	10 Ting Nyieh Li (Lane 16) off Brenan Road, O.O.L.
2. Dah Sung (大 生) Amusement Society.	41-44 Sing Kong Li (Lane 631), Connaught Road, O.O.L.
3. Kai Shi Loh (凱 士 樂) (formerly known as Lien Yih Amusement Society)	Yih Ka Zah, off Connaught Road, O.O.L.

Following the receipt of the instructions, the above three dens immediately suspended business. At present there are eleven gambling dens in the Western District operating at the following addresses :

Name	Address
1. Soong Yuen (松 園)	626 Avenue Haig, O.O.L.
2. Li Wei Lo (利 維 羅) Amusement Club.	Behind Hollywood Garden, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
3. Yih Lo (亦 羅) Club.	368 Avenue Haig, O.O.L.
4. Monte Carlo (formerly known as Yoong Sung Club).	184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
5. Zao Foong (兆 豐) Club.	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.

Commr. of Police
Sir:

Information.

R. D. Forks
D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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| 6. Chow Yuan (秋園) | 15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L. |
| 7. Hillman Club
(formerly known as
Yoong Yuan Amusement
Society). | 121 Yoong Yuan Pang,
Lane 1921 off Bubbling
Well Road, O.O.L. |
| 8. Yu Yuan (known as Yu
Yuan Restaurant) | 15 Woo Ping Road, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |
| 9. Broadway Club | 864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L. |
| 10. Honeymoon Club | Premises next to 42
Great Western Road,
O.O.L. |
| 11. China Club. | 29 Tifeng Road. |

It is reported that a further three or five gambling dens now in operation will be closed at the end of this month, and that the number of dens will be reduced every month in future.

Those gambling dens in existence are paying \$1,000 per day as a protection fee to the "Amusement Readjustment Committee." According to the scheme of the "committee," a minimum sum of \$8,000 per diem will be collected in future from the gambling dens which are permitted to carry on business, i.e. the protection fees paid by the dens to be closed will be shared by those permitted to remain in existence. In addition, the gambling dens permitted to remain will be responsible for the payment of wages to the guards in the employ of those gaming establishments to be closed.

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D.C. (Special Branch).

Loe Wei Kong
Clerk

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FM. 2
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S. B. REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 8039A/410
Date April 12, 1940.

S. 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Subject. Hwo Wei Lottery dens in Western District - resume activities.

Made by. D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by. D. I. Crawford

A number of the "hwo-wei" lottery dens in the Western District, O.O.L., which were closed on March 31, 1940, in accordance with the instructions of the Amusement Readjustment Committee, No. 20, Lane 126, Kinnear Road, resumed functioning recently with a main office established in a wooden hut No. A94, Yoong Yuen Pang (Lane 1912) off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L. It is reported that these dens have obtained some sort of unofficial approval from certain prominent members of the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern and National Salvation Army in connection with their functioning and they have not, therefore, experienced any interference from the outside roads area authorities.

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D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

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No. S. B. D. 8039A/41(C)

Section 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date April 11, 1940.

Subject "Amusement Readjustment Committee" - to increase
protection fee levied from gambling dens.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

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B.M.
W.S.M.C.

Comm. of Police.
S.B. Information.

D.C. (Sp. Br.)

The "Amusement Readjustment Committee" which was formed on March 31, 1940, at No.20, Lane 126, Kinnear Road, under the joint auspices of the Japanese Military Police and the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern & National Salvation Army to control the gambling dens in the Western District, has decided to increase the protection fee levied from the gambling establishments, in accordance with the following scale with effect from to-day, April 11, 1940:-

Amount of protection
fee prior to April 11,
1940

Amount of protection
fee with effect from
April 11, 1940

Small gambling dens

\$150.00 each per diem

\$600.00 each per diem

Large gambling dens

\$200.00 to \$700.00
each per diem.

\$1,000.00 each per diem

The above decision to increase the protection fee, the Amusement Readjustment Committee announced, was passed as a result of observation of the business of the establishments during the past ten days. According to the organ, the business of the gambling dens now in existence in the Western District has increased two to three times that prior to the 31st of March, when eleven establishments were closed in accordance with a reorganization scheme of the organ.

D.C. (Special Branch)

Liao Chung Chien
D. S. I.

(Sp.B.)
C/S S.B.C.
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File No.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. 1. Special Branch

REPORT

Date

April 3, 1940

Subject (in full) New Gambling den at 29 Tifeng Road - opened for business.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by D. I. Crawford

(Vide Special
Branch report
dated 7/2/40).

The new gambling den at 29 Tifeng Road opened for business on April 2, 1940, under the name "China Club", instead of "Victoria" which it originally adopted. This new den is conducted by Pan San Sing (潘三省), the ex-conductor of the Asia Club, 65 Gordon Road, who is said to have paid \$150,000.00 to the Amusement Readjustment Committee, No. 20, Lane 126, Kinnear Road, for permission to operate the establishment.

D. C. (Special Branch).

Liao Chung Chien
D. S.I.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No.

Bubbling Well Station,

REPORT

Date 2nd. April 1940.

Subject Information - Gambling establishments Western Area.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by

J. M. Farlane

Sir;

Information has been received from a reliable source to the effect that a gambling den, to be known as the "China Club", with premises at 29 Tifeng Road, formerly occupied by the Shanghai Middle School, is to be opened on the evening of 2-4-40.

The premises 29 Tifeng Road is a spacious three story foreign style house, and is immediately opposite the residence of Sir Elly Kadoorie.

Zia Pao Sung (謝博生), the present owner of Ciro's Cabaret, 444 Bubbling Well Road, is said to have been appointed manager by Pan San Shing (潘三有), who, since the closing of the Shanghai Amusement Protection Agency Office (a Japanese organization), 470/9 Yu Yuen Road, has been elected as "Chief Representative" of all gambling establishments in the Western Area.

Pan San Shing, it should be noted here, was placed in office by Lee S Chung (李自群) of 76 Jessfield Road.

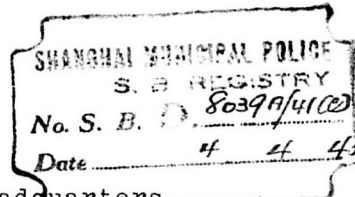
Nine of the smaller gambling houses have been compelled to close because they are unable to pay the monthly protection fee demanded of them by Pan San Shing's agency.

The Shanghai City Government Police Bureau, acting on the orders of the Japanese Military Police, have closed all Hwo Wei establishments in the Western Area as from 31-3-40.

D. E. Tabrum
Det. Inspector

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

April 3, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B.D.8039A/41(C).

Subject :- Gambling Dens in Western District -
Reorganization - 11 Establishments closed.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Section 1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date April 1, 1940.

Subject. Gambling Dens in Western District - Reorganization -

Eleven Establishments closed.

Made by. D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by. D.I. Crawford

On March 31, 1940, an "Amusement Readjustment Committee" (娛樂調整委員會) was formed at No. 20, Lane 126, Kinnear Road, under the joint auspices of the Japanese Military Police and the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern and National Salvation Army for the sole purpose of assuming control over the gambling dens in Shanghai. The committee is in charge of a Japanese named Yamaki (山木), representing the Japanese Military Police, and Li Shih Chung (李士忠), Vice Director of the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern and National Salvation Army.

It was decided by the committee that thirteen of the twenty-four gambling dens in the Western District, be permitted to remain in existence while the remaining eleven, including the Asia Club, 65 Gordon Road be closed.

On the night of March 31, 1940, instructions embodying the above decision, were issued to all the dens by the committee and as a result the following eleven dens were closed:-

Name	Address
1. Sung Kee (許記) Amusement Society.	36-38 Sing Kong Li (Lane 631), Connaught Road, O.O.L.

Commr. of Police

Sir:

Information

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D. C. (Sp. Br.)

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
2. Ziang Sung (祥生) Company.	70 Zung Shan Li (lane 917), off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
3. Sing Sing (新新) Amusement Society.	30 Tsu Ka So, off Avenue Haig, O.O.L.
4. Bubbling Well (柳芳) Club.	An unnumbered hut in lane 71, next to No.1788B Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.
5. Sing Yoong Sung (新荣生) Club.	A small wooden house located at No.1 Ching Kya Hong, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
6. Tung Shing (东兴) Amusement Society.	23 Ching Kya Hong, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
7. Si Tsu An (西许安) Club.	West Tsu An Pang.
8. Kwang Sung (康生) Company.	Sing Ying Club, 135 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
9. Jess/Mei Fong (桂芳) Amusement Society.	Mei Fong Li, off Robison Road, O.O.L.
10. Dah Shing (大生) Company.	No.10 Zung Tuh Li (lane 905) off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
11. Asia Club.	65 Gordon Road.

The gambling dens which are still operating are detailed hereunder:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
1. Soong Yuen (松園).	626 Avenue Haig, O.O.L.
2. Li Wai Lo (利瓦厘) Amusement Club.	Behind Hollywood Garden, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
3. Yih Lo Club (乐厘).	368 Avenue Haig, O.O.L.
4. Monte Carlo (formerly known as Yoong Sung Club).	No.184 Kong Kya Jao, off Jessfield Road, O.O.L.

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5. Zao Foong (兆芳) Club.	Yu Yuen Road, opposite the Jessfield Park, O.O.L.
6. Chow Yuan (Autumn Garden).	15 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.
7. Hillman Club (formerly known as Yoong Yuan Amusement Society).	121 Yoong Yuan Pang, Lane 1921 off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.
8. Kai Loh Shi (formerly known as Lien Yih Amusement Society).	Yih Kya Zah off Connaught Road, O.O.L.
9. Yu Yuan (known as Yu Yuan Restaurant).	No.15 Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L.
10. Broadway Club (百老匯).	No.864 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
11. Honeymoon Club (金婚).	Premises next to No.42 Great Western Road, O.O.L.
12. Fu Sung Company (富生).	10 Ting Nyieh Li (Lane 16) off Brennan Road, O.O.L.
13. Dah Sung (大生) Amusement Society.	No.41-44 Sing Kong Li (Lane 631), Connaught Road, O.O.L.

The Amusement Readjustment Committee has also given permission to the Victoria Club, No.29 Tifeng Road, to commence operation as from April 2, 1940. This club, it will be recalled, was scheduled to open for business in February 1940, but failed due to the fact that the "Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department," the then controlling organ of the gambling establishments, refused to issue a permit.

All the gambling establishments permitted

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to carry on business by the committee, it is reported, have paid \$150,000.00 each to the organ as a security fund with the exception of the Fu Sung Company (No.12) and the Dah Sung Amusement Society (No.13), the two smaller ones, which paid only \$30,000.00 each. Apart from collecting the above fund, the committee will continue to levy protection fees from the dens as the "Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department" did heretofore.

It is reported that the committee has concluded an agreement with the owners of Li Wai Lo Amusement Club (No.2) situated behind the Hollywood Garden, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, and Soong Yuan establishment (No.1), 626 Avenue Haig, by which the latter have agreed to place their business under the direction of the organ and share the proceeds with same.

Meanwhile, the committee has instructed the owners of those dens closed to submit the names and addresses of the armed guards formerly in their employ for the purpose, the committee announced, of devising means for their relief.

On the night of March 31, 1940, the Amusement Readjustment Committee also issued instructions ordering all hwo-wei lottery dens in the Western District, numbering some 200, to close down.

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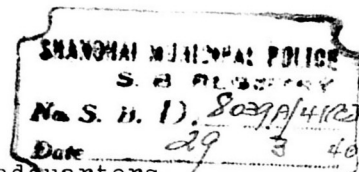
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The instructions were complied with by the den
conductors who have, without exception, wound up
their business.

Liao Cheng Chen
D. S. I.

D.C. (Special Branch)



Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

March 28, 19 40 .

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

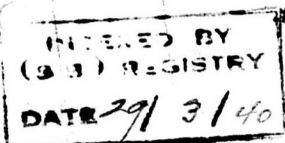
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REPORT

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
File No. 8039A/41(2)
March 27th, 1940.

Subject: Gambling Dens in Western District, O.O.L. - Situation.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung-chien. Forwarded by Supt. J. Mason.

Comm. of Police
Sir:
Information.

R. D. Forker
D. C. (Sp. B.)

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SHANGHAI
28 MAR 1940
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During the past fortnight contradictory reports regarding the fate of the gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., have appeared in the local press. Some reports have stated that the gambling dens have suspended operations or are about to close while others contain flat denials of such information.

Although no exact information regarding the situation of the gambling dens is available, it is nevertheless believed that the reorganization scheme as reported by this office on 13-2-40, will be carried out. The gambling dens will, in accordance with an agreement reached between the Japanese Authorities and Wang Ching Wei, be placed under the control of the New Central China Government to be inaugurated on 30-3-40. There are at present 24 gambling dens in the Western District, and a number of the smaller establishments will be closed either through forcible measures or through increased taxes which it is the intention of the Authorities to levy knowing that they will not be able to pay. The larger establishments permitted to remain open for business will be required to furnish between them, a sum equivalent to the protection fees that are paid by those small dens which will be closed as a result of the reorganization

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scheme. Those dens to remain open will probably reconstruct their entrances so as to give the appearance of theatres or restaurants as some of them have already done, in order to minimize criticism from the public.

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Liao Chung Chien
D. S. I.

D. C. (Special Branch).

March 24, 1940.

Morning Translation.

Sin Wan Pao and Shun Pao :-

GAMBLING DENS IN WESTERN DISTRICT ORDERED TO CLOSE DOWN
ON MARCH 29

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According to information from reliable sources, the Japanese authorities have decided to order the gambling dens in the Western District to close down on March 29. Should any of the gambling dens fail to observe the order, the Japanese authorities will follow the procedure they have adopted in Nantao by sealing up the establishments and arresting the gamblers and the conductors and subjecting them to heavy punishments.

It is also learned that the Hollywood, the Victoria and other big gambling dens have expressed their willingness to close down their establishments voluntarily and that they are seeking accommodation in Macao in order to resume their activities.



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Operators Deny Reported Closure Of Gambling Dens

Operators of Shanghai's notorious gambling dens yesterday vehemently denied reports circulated recently that their establishments would be closed before the month ends.

Interviewed by THE CHINA PRESS, operators of three of the largest houses almost with one accord blamed opposition groups for spreading the "rumors."

"We are not closing today, or at any time in the future," one of the operators said. "Business is good, flourishing, and our customers are satisfied."

Asked regarding the motive of the alleged rumors, the operator stated that "opposition interests backed by enormous financial resources have for a long time been trying to dislodge us from our positions. But they won't succeed," he added significantly.

The operator continued: "If you don't believe we are staying open, just come down and see." He also revealed that with his establishment he was taking no chances. "The place is duly guarded," he said.

Although scheduled to close up on March 10, according to reports, the gambling dens were given a new lease on life on payment of \$20,000 each to responsible authorities for further protection. The reports had it that the new lease would be valid until March 31.

In addition to the payment of a flat fee for the "concession" to the puppet city regime and to Japanese quarters, each gambling den also pays a monthly "protection fee." The money paid on March 10, it was stated, was an extraordinary fee, necessitated by increasing pressure exercised by the "opposition interests."

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Jefferson Translation.

The Shanghai News (新上海报), a mosquito newspaper, published on March 19, 1940, the following article written by one Bo Wang (霸王) :-

THE CLOSURE OF THE WESTERN DISTRICT CLUBS.

4. The reports in the newspapers regarding the closure of the clubs in the Western District are absolutely untrue; this question of closure is entirely outside the realm of the agreement over the Outlying Roads. Though the "Supervision Department" has been dissolved, another new organization is established to take over the management. The responsible person is one named Lee (李). It is learned that measures for the suppression of opium will be adopted, and that the clubs in the Western District will be gradually suppressed within two years.

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March 23, 1941 *Shanghai*
Shun Pao :-

CLOSURE OF GAMBLING DENS IN THE BADLANDS

Owing to the prohibition by the Japanese authorities, all the gambling dens in Nantao suspended their business yesterday when Japanese gendarmes visited the establishments and nailed wooden boards across their doors.

The Japanese authorities have also withdrawn the licences of the gambling dens located in the Western District of Shanghai and have ordered them to close down as from to-day. On this account, the Hollywood (新華), the Young Sung (榮光), the Autumn Garden (秋園), the Yu Yuen (愚園), the Jessfield Home (北園), the Broadway (百老匯) and other gambling dens have ceased operations.

March 22, 1940

Morning Translation

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BOMB EXPLODES AT YU YUEN GAMBLING DEN. 25.3.40.

At 10.20p.m. 25/3/40 a telephone message was received from the Chinese Red Cross Hospital, Avenue Haig, to the effect that several persons had been admitted to the hospital suffering from bomb wounds received at the Yu Yuen Gambling Den, Ping Woo (平和) Road, off Yu Yuen Road, S.C.G.P.B.

D.S.I. Young, C.D.S. 219, C.D.C. 179 proceeded to the hospital and ascertained the following persons to have received injuries:-

- (1) Tong Chun Hong (唐鈞鴻), male, 29, Shanghai, 12 Yuen Chi Li, Avenue Road.
- (2) Zau Ah Mau (趙阿毛), male, 19, Ningpo, Hart Road, Chia Wo Li (加末里), No.12.
- (3) Li S Liang (李世良), male, 30, Ningpo, 16 North Kiangse Road.
- (4) Sung Ah Woo (沈阿梅), female, 27, Ningpo, Lane 80, Hse. 27 Annam Road.
- (5) Chiu Kwang Foo (邱光甫), male, 30, Ningpo, Yuen Chi (元吉) Exchange Shop, N.Szechuen Road.
- (6) Wo Tsung Ching (韋振青), male, 39, Ningpo, 7, Baikal Road.
- (7) Sung Ts Liang (沈竹良), female, 34, Ningpo, 7 Annam Road.

The first and fifth of these have injuries of quite a serious nature, but no doctor's certificates are available at time of making this report.

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Enquiries among the injured ^{at 10 p.m. 25.3.40} learned that two tables of "Hwa Chi Tai (花旗灘)" were in progress in a lower room of the place when a bomb, which appeared to have been concealed beneath a table, exploded injuring a number of persons, most of whom were removed to the Red Cross Hospital in a m/car belonging to the gambling house.

French police informed.

Sen.Det.1/c.

P.A. Young
D. S. I.

C.D.S.219.
C.D.C.179.

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BY CARROLL D. ALCOTT

Shanghai Silhouettes

THE presence of several policemen and a handful of American Marines in front of 82 Yates Road on Wednesday night had a dampening effect on the scheduled opening of the "Asia Economic Research Society." The new gaming establishment with its big electric sign in numerals, "82," presented an inviting appearance to individuals willing to part with their lucre in the name of "research," but nothing happened. The police say they were on the spot just to see that no "frightfulness" developed. But a lot of people got the impression that the officers were picketing the place.

Speaking of roulette wheels and such like, Mr. G. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary and Commissioner-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, is reported to have told an interviewer a few days ago that the S.M.C. is planning to issue a statement on the Council's policy concerning gambling in the International Settlement. I understand that it will be a blanket statement, covering all angles of gambling. This is rather interesting news to a lot of people who were beginning to doubt that the Council actually had a policy on gambling.

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Wm Brown
D. C. (Divisions).
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**ARREST OF SUSPECTS RELEASED FROM LANE 470,
HOUSE No. 9, YU YUEN ROAD.**

At 2.10 p.m. 20-3-40, S.I. Bretherton was on patrol on Yu Yuen Road when he saw hire car Lic.No.18085 pull up on the north side, facing east.

S.I.Bretherton became suspicious when a female alighted and hurried away and accordingly brought the car and the five male Chinese occupants to the station.

Here they were questioned and gave their names as:-

1. Zung Shiu Chung (陈子强), 40, Taichow, Teaboy, 407/9 Yu Yuen Road.
2. Lee Yung (李荣), 40, Canton, S/cook, ? Yunnan Road.
3. Zung Sing Fang (陈福方), 35, Canton, M/brassmith, 1250 Avenue Road.
4. Weng Ching Yoong (王金永), 42, Tungchow, M/cook, 10 Tai Zung Li, Rt. Vallon.
5. Ts Ching Pau (朱金保), 40, Yangchow, M/chauffeur, 1417 Avenue Road.

The chauffeur, on being questioned stated that he is employed at the Dah Hwa Hire Car Garage, 313 Seymour Road (Driving Permit No.6738 S.M.C.). At 1.15 p.m. 20-3-40, Weng Ching Yoong and a female Chinese came to the garage and engaged a car and directed him to drive to Yu Yuen Road. When they arrived outside an alleyway opposite the S.M.C. Public School they stopped and waited for half an hour and Zung Shiu Chung boarded the car. Weng Ching Yoong then told him to drive east along Yu Yuen Road and when they came to the Paramount Hotel Weng Ching Yoong told the chauffeur to stop and

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shouted to two men who were walking on the North foot path and the two men boarded the car.

The two men were Lee Yung and Zung Sing Fang and as they entered the car the female alighted. At this juncture, S.I. Bretherton came on the scene and brought them to the station.

Zung Shiu Chung on being questioned stated he was employed as a tea boy at 470/9 Yu Yuen Road, an office of the Amusement Control Bureau but was paid off on the morning of 20-3-40.

A number of persons were detained on these premises under restraint, Zung stated, and two of these had asked him to help them to escape. These two men are Lee Yung and Zung Sing Fang.

After being dismissed Zung Shiu Chung decided to help them to get away and accordingly went to the home of Lee Yung's friend at 10 Tau Zung Li, Rt. Vallon and arranged with him and Lee's wife to bring a hire car to Yu Yuen Road and promised he would produce the two prisoners.

He returned to his late place of employment and on the pretext of wishing to clean the cells obtained the keys from the Japanese Officer in charge and released the two prisoners, who entered the car and were arrested as told above.

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Both the released men state they were arrested some months ago in gambling houses and charges of cheating and detained at 470/9 Yu Yuen Road ever since.

D.I. Tabrum and Inspector Yamaguchi visited 470/9 Yu Yuen Road but could find no one in authority on the premises. The only Japanese there stated he was not aware that the prisoners had escaped.

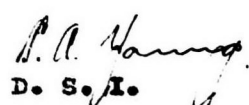
Lee and Zung had stated that two other persons were detained on the premises but the S.M.P. Officers could find no trace of them.

The particulars of the case were communicated to Mr. T. Robertson, D.C. (Crime) by Supt. Conduit, D.D.O. "B" Div., who instructed that Zung Shiu Chung, Lee Yung and Zung Sing Fang be detained pending a decision by Headquarters as to their disposal, and the other two be allowed to go.

Statements attached.

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D. S. I.

Lee Yung (李榮)

Canton

Clerk Lee Hong Myih.

B'Well Stn.

20-3-40.

My name is Lee Yung age 40, native of Canton, M/cook, formerly residing at place of employment ? Yunnan Road.

At 2.30 p.m. 11-9-39, while I was gambling in the Yung Yuen Gambling Den, Great Western Road, I was arrested by 9 or 10 male Chinese who were armed with pistols for cheating in gambling and later taken to No.9, Lane 470 Yu Yuen Road, where I was beaten first and later removed to a cell below the staircase as a prisoner.

I was given ten cakes per day as my food by them.

At 2 p.m. 20-3-40, I was told by a teaboy named Sung Shiu Chung (陈守群) that I now can be released. Sung Shiu Chung told me to wait on Yu Yuen Road as a hire car will sent for me. When I left the above place, I saw the hire car arrive, but on attempting to board the car, a foreign Police Officer approached and brought us to the B'Well Police Station.

The above is my true statement.

Zung Sing Fang (P. 47. 2. 7).

Canton

Clerk Lee Hong Nyih.

B'Well Stn.

20-3-40

My name is Zung Sih Fang, age 35, native of Canton, M/brass-smith, formerly residing at 1250 Avenue Road.

At 11 a.m. 11-9-39, while I was gambling at Yung Yuen Gambling Den, Great Western Road, I was suddenly arrested by two Japanese in plain clothes, for cheating in gambling and later taken to No. 9, Lane 470 Yu Yuen Road, where I was badly beaten and after removed to a cell, below the staircase.

I was given ten cakes per day by them for my food. I cleaned the ordure buckets daily at 2 p.m. I was kept there until 2p.m. 20-3-40, when I was told by a tea boy named Zung Shin Chung (P. 47. 2. 7) that I now can be released. The tea boy told me to wait on Yu Yuen Road as one of my friends would send a hire car for me. As I left the place I saw a car arrive with my friend named Wong Ching Yoong inside the car, but on attempting to board the car, a foreign Police Officer approached and brought us to the station.

I had previously informed the tea boy that if he could effect my arrest, I would reward him.

The above is my true statement.

Zung Shiu Chung (25.7.40)

Tai-chow, Chekiang

D.S.I. Chu Chi Huang

B'Well Station

20th. March 1940

My name is Zung Shiu Chung, age 40, native of Taichow, Chekiang, and I am employed by the Japanese Amusement Supervision Office situated at No.470/9 Ai Yuen Road as a tea-boy.

I entered the employ of the above mentioned office on 1-6-39, and receive a wage of \$13.00 per month with free food and lodging. Since I worked there I have seen many persons detained and released by the Japanese for alleged violation of amusement rules in the gambling houses.

In Sept. 1939, I saw another 2 male Chinese taken into custody, they were Cantonese and were detained together with some 10 persons previously arrested.

On 10-3-40, this office was disbanded and all Japanese except one of them departed. The prisoners, however, were still detained. I sent food to the prisoners every day and when I went there yesterday (19-3-40) morning, one of the Cantonese prisoners asked me if I could help him to escape. He promised to invite me to a feast if I would do it. He then told me that he had a friend named Wong Ching Yung residing at No.10 Dan Sing Lee, Route Valloen, French Concession, and asked me to go and see him regarding his release. I promised him to consider the matter. I was given \$100.00 by the Japanese this morning (20-3-40) and was told that I was no longer required there as the place is going to close down. The money is for my "pay-off". Thinking that it will be a good chance to release the Cantonese, I went to the Cantonese friend's home on Route Valloen, F.C., at about 11 a.m. and told him the news. The man then informed the prisoner's wife

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who is living on Avenue Road and we all proceeded to Yu Yuen Road with a hire car. I told the car to stop outside lane 470, Yu Yuen Road, when I alighted and went into the lane to get the prisoners. His friend and wife waited in the car. I obtained a key from the Japanese who is still there on the ground that I wanted to go inside the prison to clean up the place. I succeeded in releasing the two Cantonese and took them to the waiting motor car and all of us intended to escape but were arrested by the Foreign policeman who suspected us of being criminals.

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BY CARROLL D. ALCOCK

New Gambling Den

ALTHOUGH the news has not been generally noised about, Shanghai is scheduled to get a new gambling den in the near future. This one is to be located in the International Settlement and the place will be 32 Yates Road.

The establishment is to be run by the same crowd that controls the Asia Club on Gordon Road and will be operated largely for Chinese only.

I understand that the promoters of the venture have been assured that they will have the same protection given to the Gordon Road establishment and, as a result, are sinking considerable money in the project.

Modus Vivendi

The prevailing tense situation in the badlands reminds me that S. M. C. Chairman Cornell S. Franklin and "Hizzoner" Fu Siao-en recently signed an agreement intended to bring into existence a joint police force intended to end all this "wild west" business in Shanghai. It seems that all that remains to be done is to decide on some *modus vivendi* for the operation of this force. Just when this will be achieved is a matter of considerable speculation about the city at the moment. Some of the lads in a position to know are giving odds that it will not be before 1941.

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March 14th., 40.

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Shooting of Dau Zung Zien
(陶顺泉) on B'Well Road. O. O. L.

At 1.10p.m. 14/3/40 a telephone message was received from the manager of the New Royal Hotel, B'Well Road, to the effect that a male Chinese had been shot by two others outside the above premises.

C.D.C. 147 and D.S.I. Young together with S.I.s Phillips and Daintry attended and learned that a male Chinese had been shot by two others at the entrance of the lane leading into Delight Villas, next to the New Royal Hotel, and the body removed by the ambulance of the S.C.G.P.B.

Enquiries by D.S.I.s Young and Yao, C.D.S. 283 and C.D.C. 147 learned the injured man to be one Dau Zung Zien (陶顺泉) employed as an unarmed watchman at the Hillman House Gambling Den, 1926 Bubbling Well Road and residing 65 Yoong Yuen Pang (永源洪) Bubbling Well Road.

On the morning of 14/3/40 he went to work at 6.30 a.m. as usual and at 12noon went home for tiffin. He returned to his place of employment at about 1p.m. and saw five men loitering in a suspicious manner inside the Hillman House compound. He pointed them out to the other watchmen and on seeing this the strangers came

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out onto the road and walked away west. The injured man followed them with a view to ascertaining their business. When they arrived at the entrance to the lane leading to Delight Villas they turned and two of them, drawing pistols, asked him what he had said to the other watchmen. He denied that he had said anything about these persons and the two armed men then each fired two shots, at him only two of which found their mark.

The victim was removed by the S.C.C.P.B. ambulance to St. Luke's Hospital No. 2 ^{37 Brennan Rd} where he was detained. Dr's chit reads:-

"Gun shot wounds in
(a) Left abdomen - through and through.
(b) Right thigh - through and through.
Condition may be serious."

The injured man's wife, Dao Tsao Sz (陶趙氏), was located and informed of the occurrence but she could throw no light on the matter, when questioned.

A Mauser cartridge case was found on the scene and has been forwarded to A.I.S. for examination.

A. A. Young
D. S. I.

D.S.I. Yao Han Leong
C.D.S. 283.
C.D.C. 147.

Sen. D. *[Signature]* 15/3

D.D.O. "B" Div.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

March 12, 1940.

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.E.D.8039A/41(C).

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District - permits issued by the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department withdrawn.

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REPORT

Date March 11, 1940.

Subject Gambling Dens in the Western District - permits issued by the
Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department withdrawn.

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At 3 p.m., March 10, 1940, the various gambling dens in the Western District received a telephonic message from the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Lu Fuen Road, instructing them to hand over the permits, which were issued to them by the department, to the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern & National Salvation Army, 73 Jessfield Road and to pay protection fees to the same organ with effect from date.

In compliance with the instructions, the conductors of the various dens, some of whom had obtained advanced information to the effect that their permits would be withdrawn either on March 10 or 20, 1940, immediately called at 73 Jessfield Road. They handed in their permits and were assured that they would be permitted to continue operation under the joint protection of the Japanese Military Police and the members of the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern & National Salvation Army. New permits, they were informed, may be issued to them after the formal inauguration of Wang Ching Wei Administration.

However, in the evening of the same day, March 10, Loo Ying (盧英), Commissioner of the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau, issued a notice announcing that the permits for the gambling

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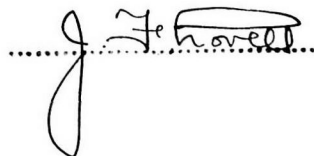
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No. S. B. D. 80397/410
Date March 11, 1940.

Section 1, Special Branch
REPORT

Subject. Gambling Dens in the Western District - permits issued by
the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department withdrawn.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

At 3 p.m., March 10, 1940, the various gambling dens in the Western District received a telephonic message from the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, instructing them to hand over the permits, which were issued to them by the department, to the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern & National Salvation Army, 76 Jessfield Road and to pay protection fees to the same organ with effect from date.

In compliance with the instructions, the conductors of the various dens, some of whom had obtained advanced information to the effect that their permits would be withdrawn either on March 10 or 20, 1940, immediately called at 76 Jessfield Road. They handed in their permits and were assured that they would be permitted to continue operation under the joint protection of the Japanese Military Police and the members of the Special Service Corps of the Chung Kuo Kuomintang Anti-Comintern & National Salvation Army. New permits, they were informed, may be issued to them after the formal inauguration of Wang Ching Wei Administration.

However, in the evening of the same day, March 10, Loo Ying (盧英), Commissioner of the Shanghai City Government Police Bureau, issued a notice announcing that the permits for the gambling

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
No. S. B. D. 8039A/41(2)
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Date March 7, 1940

Subject. Gambling Dens in the Western District - present situation

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung-chien Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

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The gambling dens in the Western District which were scheduled to close down at the end of February, 1940, in accordance with a reorganization scheme, have been promised by the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department that the scheme will be postponed for a time.

According to confidential information received by gambling den conductors from persons connected with the Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, the Department will withdraw the licences of all gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., on March 10 or 20, 1940 when the affairs pertaining to the control of the establishments will be handed over to the Wang Ching Wei administration. Further, in view of the agitation against their closing down, the new controlling organ, it is said, will permit the gambling dens to carry on until May 31, 1940 but will increase the fees by more than 30% and demand payment of the same in advance in a lump sum. By this method, it is expected that the smaller gambling dens, being unable to make such a large payment, will be compelled to close down.

Liao Chung Chien
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Gambling Dens Now Given To March 20

Reports published by THE CHINA PRESS yesterday that the deadline for the western district vice dens had been extended to March 10 were again outdated yesterday, when it was learned that it had been again extended to March 20.

This further extension, it was announced, would be the last, and was granted in order to give the gambling and opium dens sufficient time to wind up their "rackets" and to enable those of them who so wished to establish "businesses" in Nantao.

According to this report, licenses will be granted for 16 gambling dens in Nantao, and indications that the Chinese City on the southeastern borders of the French Concession would be developed into a second Badlands were stronger than before.

Already four gambling houses, as well as a number of narcotic dens, are operating in Nantao. Unimpressive establishments so far, it is stated that they will also develop into extravagant casinos in time. It will be recalled that an identical situation arose in the western district late in 1938, where the first gambling houses were bleak, wooden structures.

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Bomb Explosion at Hillman Gambling Den, 1926 Yeong Zien Pang (湧泉浜) off B'Well Road, S.C.G.P.B.

At 8.20p.m. 3/3/40 a telephone message was received at this station from the Red Cross Hospital, reporting that a person was admitted suffering from bullet wounds. The undersigned and C.D.C. 233 made enquiries and ascertained that as a result of a bomb explosion at the Hillman Gambling Den 1926 Yeong Zien Pang off B'Well Road at 7.50 p.m. 3/3/40, the following persons received injuries.

- (1) Lee Ping Ching (李炳清), 38 years, m/tailor residing 19 Route de Zay Soong, native of Pootung.

Sent by Ambulance to the Red Cross Hospital where he is at present detained. Doctor's certificate states: "Multiple shell wounds of right chest wall, legs and feet." Condition "Poor."

- (2) Wo Yue Lee (何玉蓮), 22 years, a/female residing 212 Rue Bourgeat, native of Canton.

This female was removed by Ambulance to Red Cross Hospital, but as there was no bed vacant, she was sent to the St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Doctor's certificate states: "Laceration of left ankle. Fracture and laceration of right knee." Detained in Hospital.

- (3) Koo Tsang Sa (顧張氏), 43 years, a/female residing at Pootung.

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Doctor's certificate from Red Cross Hospital states:

"Lacerated wound of left foot." "Condition good."

Not detained in Hospital.

As far as can be ascertained the bomb was placed under one of the gambling tables on the ground floor. It exploded and caused injuries as previously described.

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Gambling Forbidden In Nantao

Authorities Will Enforce Order in District

The wholesale closure of newly established gambling houses in Nantao, which was reported last Saturday, might have been due to official action as it is reported by the "Sin Shun Pao" that the Chinese police in Nantao have received orders to forbid gambling, including the "wah wai" gambling lottery. It is stated that many gamblers have been arrested in Nantao during the past few days.

The arrested persons will soon be sent to the headquarters of the Bureau of Public Safety of the new Chinese city regime for questioning. The chief reason for the official action against gambling is said to be preservation of order in the native district where gambling prevention regulations are said to have long been enforced. The Chinese police are said to be continuing to raid gambling dens.

The situation still needs clarification as it was previously reported that gambling house managers in the western district had decided to move their business into Nantao, for otherwise they would be driven out from the area by the new joint special police office in formation by the Shanghai Municipal Council and Chinese police. Following these reports, gambling houses actually came into existence in the native city.

These Nantao establishments are now being suppressed by the Chinese police, while the western district gambling houses have shown no signs of closing. Reports are current that the establishments in "badlands" require a much bigger police force to close them than at first imagined.

Badlands Gambling Houses Said Given Respite

Promises, Threats Bring Postponement Of Closure Decrees

Japanese Said Allowing Continued Existence Of Dens On Conditions; Soaring License Price Indicates Confidence

Big Resort Opening Doors In Nantao

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The gambling dens, at least those operated by the more influential racketeers, will not be closed down at midnight tomorrow or on March 10 as previously hinted by Japanese authorities but will continue to flourish for an indefinite period.

Golden Goose

The gambling den operators, according to reliable sources, have convinced the Japanese authorities in charge of the licensing of these vice establishments that until the enforcement of the Outside Road Agreement, there is no need to slay the goose which have been laying the golden eggs.

It is even suggested that the influential gambling den operators have pulled the strings so effectively that the negotiations on the agreement have been again postponed.

Increase In Pay

In order to delay the execution of the death sentence against the gambling dens, the operators are also reported to have offered an increase in their daily tributes to the Amusement Resort Supervisor's Office, which at the present amount to about \$1,000,000 each month.

While these "peaceful" negotiations are going on behind the curtain, more drastic action is being taken by the armed gangsters on the payroll of the gambling dens. They have instigated a new crime wave in and around the badlands to warn the authorities that the closure of their "life lines" would bring about a more deteriorating state of affairs in Western Shanghai. It is alleged that the daring robberies on the buses and the numerous highway robberies during the last two weeks in the badlands were also the work of the armed parasites.

Market Soars

Indicating a complete confidence in their own prospects, the market value of the first-class gambling den licenses has soared to \$100,000. Offers larger than that sum are known to have been made by prospective buyers but no holders of the licenses have so far accepted them. It is generally believed among them that the larger dens have a better chance to continue their existence than the small ones.

In granting the respite to the gambling dens, the Japanese

authorities are reported to have imposed several new conditions, including:

Take Precautions

1. That the gambling dens shall take all precautions against shoot ups, clashes and other incidents which may draw unnecessary and unpleasant publicity.

2. That as far as possible the gambling dens should hide their identity behind a disguise as cabarets, restaurants, hotels, theatres, or bars.

3. That the gambling dens must avoid displaying electric signs to attract public attention.

Unless something untoward happens—such as orders direct from Tokyo—there is little likelihood that the number of the gambling dens in the badlands will show any decrease at midnight tomorrow or March 10, the time rumored as chosen for the death of these vice centers.

Nantao Sector

Meanwhile, Nantao is fast becoming the second badlands of Shanghai. Four smaller dens, catering to the lower class, are already in full swing while a fifth one, to be known as the San Hsing "theatre" will be opened soon elaborately equipped and decorated in the Hollywood class.

The new "joint" is located at the former site of the Overseas Bath-House, at the New North Gate, opposite Route Montauban.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B. D. 8039A/41(c).

Subject :- Gambling dens in Western District -
agitation against closing down.

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S.1, Special Branch

REPORT

Date February 22, 1940.

Subject. Gambling dens in Western District - agitation against closing down.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by D.I. Crawford

Further to report of this office dated 21/2/40 on gambling dens in the Western District being prohibited by the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, O.C.L., from illuminating their advertisement boards with effect from February 21, the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department rescinded the order in the afternoon of the same day after repeated petitions made by the gambling den owners through T.G. Lee (李秋野) otherwise known as G. Akino, a Korean and an influential member of the Japanese Special Service Section.

T.G. Lee presented altogether four demands to Sasaki, Chief of the Amusement Supervision Department, on behalf of the gambling den owners. They are:-

1. That the order instructing the gambling dens not to illuminate their advertisement boards facing the street be rescinded on the grounds that such a step will seriously affect the business of the establishments.
2. That all the gambling dens without exception be allowed to continue operation after February 29, 1940.
3. That in case the second mentioned demand is granted, the gambling dens will reconstruct their entrances so as to give the appearance of theatres or restaurants and thereby minimize criticism from the public.

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4. That the protection fee paid to the Amusement Supervision Department may be increased providing the dens are allowed to continue their activities. After consideration Sasaki agreed to accept the first demand but refused to entertain the others saying that he was powerless to deal with them. Nevertheless he promised to refer them to the Japanese Military Authorities.

It is reported that the gambling dens in the Western District have elected Chu Sung Ling (朱松林), conductor of (1) Li Wai Lo Amusement Club, situated behind the Hollywood Garden, 1204 Yu Yuen Road, (2) Yih Lo Club, 368 Avenue Haig and (3) Honeymoon Gambling Den, 42 Great Western Road, to act as their representative in connection with the agitation to remain in existence. Chu is on intimate terms with T.G. Lee and has, therefore, secured his assistance in connection with the negotiation with the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department.

Although the order prohibiting the illuminating of advertisement boards was rescinded, the Dah Sung Gambling Den, No. 41-44, Sing Kong Li, with entrances from Jessfield Road and Connaught Road, which removed all electric bulbs from its signboard on the morning of February 21, made no attempt to reinstal same as

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the proprietor, Kao Ah Keng (高阿根), has decided to remove the establishment to Nantao. The other gambling dens in Jessfield Road and Brenan Road, including the following, either illuminate a small part of their signs or reduced the lamps on same during the night of February 21, 1940:-

1. Fu Sung Gambling Den, No.10 Ting Nyieh Li (Lane 16), Brenan Road.
2. Sing Yoong Sung Gambling Den, No.1, Ching Kya Hong, off Jessfield Road.
3. Kwang Sung Gambling Den, 135 Jessfield Road.
4. Dah Shing Gambling Den, No.10 Zung Tuh Li (Lane 905) off Jessfield Road.

Those larger establishments situated in Yu Yuen Road and south of that thoroughfare, however, made no alterations to their advertisement boards and carried out operations as usual.

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No. S. B. D. 80397/41(C)

REPORT

Date: February 21, 1940

Subject: Gambling dens - further steps taken in closing down.

Made by: D.S.I. Liao Chung Chien Forwarded by: D. I. Crawford

As a further step towards the closing down of the gambling dens in the Western District, the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, transmitted telephonic instructions to the various gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., on the morning of February 21 ordering them, with effect from today, not to illuminate their advertisement boards which face the street. In consequence, a number of the dens in Jessfield Road and Brennan Road began to remove electric bulbs from their signboards the same morning.

The Dah Sung Gambling Den, Sing Kong Li, off Connaught Road, which is preparing to wind up its business at the end of February in compliance with the order of the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, has disposed of the air conditioning plant installed on its premises, and the same was in course of removal during the past few days.

It is reported that on February 18, 1940, the gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., submitted a joint petition to the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, No. 9, Lane 470, Yu Yuen Road, requesting that the order for the closing down of the establishments be rescinded. The petition also asks the Shanghai Amusement

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Supervision Department to appeal on behalf of the gambling establishments to Tokyo Government for permission to postpone the order in view of the fact that the den owners had spent huge sums on their establishments and that thousands of persons depend on the operation of the dens for living.

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File No.

10397/41(C)
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Date February 20, 1940.

Subject: Gambling Dens in Western District - reported departure
of representative for Tokyo
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With reference to the report that a Chinese, name unknown, representing all gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L., has left Shanghai for Tokyo to negotiate for permission to postpone the closing down of the establishments which is scheduled to take place at the end of February 1940, enquiries have been made but the information cannot be confirmed.

However, a report has been current to the effect that there has been a suggestion among the gambling den owners of making representations to Tokyo but it has not been carried out, so far as the majority of the den owners are of the opinion that the problem is one in which the Japanese Military stationed in China is concerned and not the Tokyo Government.

The suggestion of making representations to Tokyo, it is reported, was first broached by Sasaki, Chief of the Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L., on or about February 10, 1940 when he was approached by a number of the gambling den owners who protested against the order for the closing down of the establishments on the grounds that they had spent huge sums on the enterprises and urged him to maintain the "status quo". Sasaki who is well informed in such matters, knew that negotiations with the Japanese Military Authorities

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in China would not provide a solution of the situation and proposed secretly to the gambling den owners that representations should be made to Tokyo. The possibility of the proposed mission yielding any result is being discussed and whether or not a representative will be sent to Tokyo will depend on the outcome of the discussions.

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February 15th., 40.

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MALE CHINESE SUFFERING FROM BULLET WOUNDS.

At 9p.m. 14/2/40 C.C.R. reported that a S.F.B. Ambulance had been called to Great Western Road near Columbia Road.

Enquiries were made at the Chinese Red Cross Hospital, Avenue Haig, and it was learned that a male Chinese named Zung Ching Fah (沈進芳), 39, Ningpo, m/aster carpenter, living at Lane 185/8 Tunsin Road, had been treated for bullet wounds. He was certified as follows and discharged:- "(1) Gunshot wound, through and through right shoulder region. (2) lacerated wounds of scalp. Condition O.K."

Zung Ching Fah stated that at about 8.45p.m. 14/2/40 while he was watching several persons gambling at No. 20 Doong Tuh Li (同德里) (Chinese territory), five armed members of the S.C.G.P.B. raided the place and ordered all not to move. The gamblers disobeyed and in the scurry to escape from the house one of the S.C.G.P.B. Constables fired a shot which entered Zung's right upper arm came out on the point of the shoulder and grazed the back of his head (He was bending at the time). He was then taken to the S.C.P. Sub Bureau on Great Western Road near Columbia Road, and after the S.C.G.P.B. had called a S.F.B. ambulance he was placed on the pathway to await its arrival.

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Zung Wong Sz (沈王氏), the injured man's wife, was with him at the time and confirmed his story.

Ts Kwe Shing (朱開興) exchange shop proprietor living at 771 Tunsin Road came to Bubbling Well Station at 10.30p.m. 14/1/40. He stated that at 8.45p.m. while he was standing in the Zung Sing (順興) exchange shop at 713 Tunsin Road, he heard a shot fired. By enquiry he learned that the S.C.G.P.B. had raided an unauthorized gaming house nearby and had arrested fifteen persons. Also that the shot had been fired by one of the police to prevent the gamblers from escaping. A few minutes later he saw his friend Zung Ching Fah being taken away in ricksha by S.C.G.P.B. men, and noticed that Zung was bleeding from the head.

Ts Kwe Shing gave details concerning Zung Ching Fah which agreed with those given by Zung himself.

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Bubbling Well Station,

Date 15th February 1940.

Subject (in full) Information - Gambling dens Western Area.

Made by Det. Inspector Tabrum Forwarded by C/Inspector i/c.

Further to report dated February 9, 1940 information has been received that a Chinese, name unknown, representing all gambling dens in the Western Area, has left Shanghai for Tokyo to negotiate for permission to extend their activities for a period of six months.

The representative is said to have been instructed to spare no expense in order to bring his mission to a successful conclusion.

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REPORT

Date *February 13, 1940*

Subject *Gambling Dens in Western District to suspend operation at the end of February, 1940 pending reorganization by Wang Ching Wei's Administration.*

Made by *D.S.I. Lino Chung Chien* Forwarded by *D.I. Crawford*

With reference to the attached report from Bubbling Well Station to the effect that the gambling dens in the Western District have been instructed to cease functioning on February 29, 1940, discreet enquiries have confirmed the report and have elicited the information that the step is the outcome of an agreement reached between the Japanese Authorities and the Wang Ching Wei Administration which is scheduled to be inaugurated on March 15, 1940.

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According to the agreement, the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road (Japanese sponsored), which has controlled the gambling dens in the Western District since their formation at the end of 1937, will hand over all affairs pertaining to the gambling dens to Wang Ching Wei's Administration at the end of February 1940 when a reorganization of the establishments will take place. Although the scheme of reorganization to be undertaken is not yet known, it is learned from a reliable source that of the twenty-four gambling dens in the Western District only six to ten of the larger establishments will be permitted to reopen in future but they will be required to furnish between them a sum equivalent to the protection fees paid by those dens to be closed as a result of the reorganization.

Commr. of Police.
Sir:

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Station,

Date February 13, 1940.

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The "Hwo-wei" lottery establishments in the Western District, O.O.L., it is reported, will be treated in a similar fashion.

Meanwhile a number of the promoters of the smaller gambling dens and "Hwo-wei" lottery organizations in the Western District are agitating against the order for the closing down of their establishments and are urging Sasaki, Chief of the Shanghai Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, to maintain the "status quo."

However, it is generally viewed that the agitation will be fruitless and some of the gambling den conductors are contemplating the removal of their establishments to Nantao. Up to the present, it is learned that the following premises in Nantao have been leased for the purpose of conducting gambling:-

1. No.725 Zao Chia Road, Old West Gate, Nantao.
2. No.1451, Chung Hwa Road, Nantao.
3. No.1603, Chung Hwa Road, Nantao.

The first mentioned house is leased by Kao Ah Keng (葛阿根), proprietor of Dah Sung Gambling Den, situated in Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.O.L., while the second and third houses have on their gates posters bearing the inscriptions, "Commandeered by Japanese Consulate-General," and "Commandeered by the Special Service Section of the Japanese Military," respectively. The actual lessees of these two houses, however, cannot be ascertained at the present.

A.C.(Special Branch)

Liao Chung-chien
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. S.5/40

B'Well Station,

REPORT

Date 9-2-40 19

Subject (in full) Information - Gambling Dens in Western District

Made by and Forwarded by D.I. Tabrum

Sir,

Information has been received from reliable Japanese and Chinese sources to the effect that Gambling Den promoters in the Western Area have been notified to cease operations as from February 29th. 1940

R. L. Tabrum

Det. Insptr.

D.D.O. "B" Division

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Gambling Dives To Be Cleaned Up By Nipponese

Rumours have been in circulation for some time past that the notorious "Badlands," situated in the Extra-Settlement Roads area in the Western District, which have gained an unenviable reputation during the past two years as a cesspool of every form of vice, including gambling, opium and heroin smoking and prostitution, would be "cleaned up."

Much speculation has been rife as to the correctness of such reports owing to the fact that as recently as at the Spring Festival Season (Chinese New Year) which has just passed, a new million dollar "gambling joint," was added to the dozens already in operation.

However, the Japanese military spokesman stated at the press conference the day before yesterday that steps would be taken by the Special Service Section of the Japanese Army to close these dens of vice, but no intimation was given as to when such action would commence.

Tokyo Decides

The *Evening Echo* is in a position to announce that this step was decided upon following the return from Tokyo of Mr. Sasaki, the licensing officer in charge of these establishments, and that a general "clean up" of the large gambling houses situated on the main Extra-Settlement roads will definitely commence on March 1st and that this will be followed by the systematic closure of the scores of smaller "joints" which infest the alleyways in the enclaves.

The *Evening Echo* is also able definitely to refute the rumours that these vice dens would be closed in the Western District only to open in Nantao.

No Foundation

These reports are entirely without foundation and probably found their inception in the fact that only recently large sums had been sunk in the Badlands in setting up still more dens of vice, and it was doubtless presumed that such risks would not have been taken had not those who put up the capital been tolerably certain of being able to transfer their establishments to some other site, in the event of a "clean up" being decided upon in the Extra-Settlement area.

This clearing of the Augean stables affects not only the gambling houses but will bring to an end the countless opium and heroin dens and houses of ill-fame which infested the district.

Welcome Step

This welcome step will be carried out by the Japanese authorities, as a part of the agreement recently reached between the Shanghai Municipal Council and Mr. Fu Sheng, Mayor of the Shanghai Special

Municipality, concerning the policing of the Extra-Settlement Roads area as exclusively reported in the *Evening Echo* last Monday, and reflects their anxiety to suppress vice and to restore law and order in these areas.

Millions of dollars have been squandered in gambling and other forms of vice; thousands have been ruined and dozens of suicides can be traced directly to these establishments, which have been the cause of numerous murders and robberies with violence.

Embezzlements

Many business establishments have suffered severely through the embezzlements of their employees who became stricken with the "get-rich-quick" fever which these glittering dens of vice appeared to offer a chance to satisfy.

The alleyways leading into the enclaves in the Extra-Settlement Roads area provided convenient bolt-holes for swarms of armed gangsters, who perpetrated their crimes, frequently in the Settlement and Concession, after which they made rapid tracks for this sanctuary, once within which they felt safe from the attentions of the custodians of the law.

Immunity From Arrest

The wave of crime which has swept over Shanghai during the past couple of years was doubtless due to a great extent to the comparative immunity from arrest which this area afforded to the thousands of ruffians who have preyed on the community and has placed tremendous obstacles in the way of the police forces in their efforts to keep down crime.

A sigh of relief will doubtless be indulged in by all residents of the Western district, both foreign and Chinese, at the prospect of peace and order again being restored and great credit must be given to the Japanese authorities for their determined effort to write "finis" on this dark chapter in the history of Shanghai crime.

It may be recorded that similar steps were taken in Harbin, once a city notorious for its vice dens, which is now a model so far as the absence of crime is concerned.

Western Area Gambling May Close By End Of Month

Rumour Spreading That Early Signing Of Outside Roads Agreement May Put All Gambling And Drug Dens In West Out Of Business

Will all the gambling dens along the Outside Roads Area as well as the drug dens be closed by February 29? That is the question that is being asked by the operators and employees of the various gambling establishments in the western area during the past several days.

A strong rumour has been spread over the city that February 29 will be the deadline fixed for the closure of all the dens—gambling and opium—in the western district. Whether the order, if it does go into effect, will be the result of successful negotiations between the Shanghai City Government, headed by Mayor Fu Siao-en, and the Shanghai Municipal Council, for the conclusion of the "outside roads" agreement or whether the step will be taken by the City Government authorities in order to speed up the negotiations is not known.

No official confirmation or denial of the rumour could be obtained yesterday from any source. Most of the officials stated that they had heard of the rumour but that they could neither confirm nor deny it.

Should the order for the closure of all gambling and opium dens in the Western Area materialize, then

it is believed likely that the gamblers and narcotic traffickers will move over to Nantao. Here, however, a hitch is likely to occur, as, since the opening of the former walled city a new and independent Amusement Resort Supervisor's Office has been set up and operates completely independently from such an office in the western area of Shanghai.

May Move Elsewhere

The various persons and organizations heading the gambling dens in the western area will be putting up strong arguments to those in authority against the closure of these dens using as a strong argument the amount of money that it brings in for charity and that it provides employment for thousands of men and women.

Of late new establishments—especially high class places—have been springing up like mushrooms and it is rumoured that licences were granted to numerous places in the past months in order to make it harder to effect a closure, should such an order be given.

During the next fortnight a close watch will be kept on any developments and it will probably require more than police to close down all the gambling dens in one night.

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I'VE OFTEN WONDERED

BY CARROLL D. ALCOTT

New Gambling Den

RUMORS are going the rounds that one of our leading gambling den proprietors is moving a couple of roulette wheels into the center of the Settlement from his establishment on the outskirts of the city. In fact, one report has it that he moved the wheels of fortune into the Settlement a few nights back.

Some people are just naturally hoggish. Not content with getting half the money in the city, they want it all. If this sort of thing keeps up, the churches and temples will have to run wheels and black-jack games as a matter of self-protection.

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Woo Wan News Agency - Release of unfounded report re bombing of Hwo Hwei Lottery House on Robison Road on January 30, 1940.

On January 31, 1940, the Sin Wan Pao (新南報) and the National Herald (神州報), both foreign operated Chinese language dailies, published an article relating to the alleged bombing of the Hwo Hwei Lottery House, conducted by Mao Ah-xiang (毛阿祥), in the Kung Yih Lee (公益里), Robison Road.

Investigations by S. 1 revealed the story as entirely false, in consequence of which this Section undertook enquiries with a view to finding out the source of the information.

Neither Chiang Tsung-nyi (蔣宗義) nor Sung Siao-yen (沈小雁), two newspaper reporters mentioned in the report by D.S.I. Liao Chung-chien dated 2.2.40 have been so far proved as being concerned with the fabrication of the report, despite their habit of frequenting the gambling dens and lottery houses in the extra-Settlement area.

The information was supplied by the Woo Wan News Agency (南華通訊社) of 14/55 Museum Road. The proprietor of the agency, Ming Ching-sun (明聲), was called to Headquarters on February 5th and asked to divulge the source of his information. He explained that the item had been prepared from an original report by one Lieu Shih-fang (劉世芳), a part time reporter residing in the Tai Shing Chun (泰生村), Robison Road, which individual has so far not been interviewed.

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Ming Ching-sun was informed that the story was absolutely untrue and that a correction would have to appear in to-day's issue of the two papers concerned. Correction appears in the National Herald only, the Sin Wan Pao having suspended operation till after the Chinese New Year.

Before leaving Headquarters, Ming Ching-sun was informed that the dissemination of untrue or exaggerated reports was a very serious offence and that any repetition of the type of deliberate rumour-mongering under report might well spell the suspension of the agency.

Copies of this report are forwarded for attachment to the various files concerned.

National Herald published the following item on
February 6, 1940:

CORRECTION

On January 30 this news agency supplied to
your paper a report regarding the explosion that
took place in the Yung Yuen gambling den (K38).
Investigations made show that this is untrue.
Please make a correction and oblige.

Woo Wan News Agency

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

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Section I, Special Branch

REPORT

Date February 2, 1940.

Subject..... Alleged bombing of Hwo Wei Lottery Headquarters and
Yung Yuen Gambling Den.

Made by D.S.I. Liao Chung-chien. Forwarded by D. I. Crawford.

With reference to the attached translation of an extract from the National Herald dated 31-1-40 on the explosion of bombs in the Yih Kee Hwo Wei Lottery Headquarters, situated in Kung Yih Li (公益里), off Robison Road, O.O.L., and the Yung Yuen Gambling Den, Yung Yuen Pang (永源巷) off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L., on January 30, 1940, enquiries reveal that the report is untrue and is believed to have been fabricated by two newspaper reporters named Chiang Tsung Nyi (蔣忠義) and Sung Siao Yen (沈小研).

It is reported that during the past fortnight, many newspaper reporters have approached the Hwo Wei Lottery Headquarters and gambling dens in the Western District with a view to soliciting new year gifts. The gambling dens ^{which} are said to have received instructions from the Amusement Supervision Department, 9/470 Yu Yuen Road, to abolish such illegal seasonal gifts, have generally declined the request to the great dissatisfaction of the newspaper reporters, among whom Chiang Tsung Nyi and Sung Siao Yen are the most disgruntled. The report of explosion of bombs in the Hwo Wei Lottery Headquarters was therefore made in revenge with a view to causing embarrassment to the management.

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A. C. (Special Branch)

January 31, 1940.

Morning Translation.

National Herald and Sin Wan Pao :-

HWO HWEI LOTTERY HEAD-QUARTERS IN WESTERN DISTRICT
BOMBED

At about 6 p.m. yesterday when a drawing of the lottery was taking place at the Yih Kee (益記) Hwo Hwei Lottery Headquarters conducted by Mao Ah-ziang (毛阿祥) at Kung Yih Lee (公益里) on Robison Road, a large hand grenade was hurled into the premises by some unknown persons. The explosion injured more than 20 of the messengers who had gathered at the place to learn the result of the drawing.

Upon learning of the incident, a party of Japanese and puppet officers were rushed to the place where they conducted a rigorous search, but no arrests were made. The injured men were later removed to various hospitals for treatment. Many of them are said to be in a critical condition.

Another bomb explosion took place at the Yung Yuen (永源) gambling den at Yung An Fang (永安坊), Bubbling Well Road, at about 9 p.m. yesterday when gambling was going on full swing and the place was packed with gamblers. Two hand grenades were said to have been thrown into the place, resulting in the wounding of many gamblers, while some received minor injuries. Great excitement prevailed. When the Japanese and puppets arrived at the place, all the gamblers had already left. The injured gamblers were later removed to hospital for treatment.

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Crystal (晶報), a mosquito paper, published the following article on January 30 :-

GAMBLING DENS IN WESTERN DISTRICT

During the past few months many large gambling dens have been established in the Western District and are said to be all doing good business.

Formerly the Asia Club (亞洲總會) at No. 65 Gordon Road was doing the best business among all gambling establishments, but now it has been surpassed by the Chiu Yuan (秋園) gambling den at No. 15 Jessfield Road, because the latter is not so strict as the former in the checking up of the membership cards of the visitors. Moreover, callers to and from this gambling den are provided with the convenience of free transportation by motor cars with black number plates, belonging to six local motor car garages. The cars provided by the Asia Club for the conveyance of its clients are those of the Silver Taxi Service. Though the callers are accorded this facility free of charge, they are, however, required to undergo a strict inspection of their membership passes.

The Chiu Yuan gambling den was originally the private residence of a Cantonese named Tan Hai-chiu (譚海秋). It occupies a large area and is said to be the largest of all gambling dens in the Western District. It is under the management of a Westerner and many students of the University of Shanghai and of Soochow Law College are said to be making a living with this gambling den. It offers a game called "Russian dominoes," which is not used in other gambling establishments. It also provides tables for "Bah-Chiu" games with paper cards. This game is said to be attracting quite a large patronage.

The third gambling den that enjoys a similar notoriety as the above two is the one located at No. 626 Avenue Haig. It also occupies a large area but due to its location which is rather too remote, it is less favoured by the gamblers.

Recently another gambling den known as Yih Loo (亦盧) was established at No. 368 Avenue Haig. The Lien Wei Loo (利匪盧) better known as the Hollywood (好萊塢) is now rather too old, but it still does a good business in the daytime. The Wei Loh Kung (會樂宮) which was newly established on Great Western Road is conducted by the proprietor of the Hollywood. It is well built and provides a dancing floor and story-telling rooms, but its business is not so prosperous as expected. The Yu Yuen Hotel (源園大飯店) at the corner of Bubbling Well and T'ung Roads was opened only recently. It is not well furnished and yet its business is quite above the average, presumably due to convenience of communications.

In addition to the above, there is also one called the Monte Carlo which was originally known as the Yung Sung Company (榮生公司). It is also doing a good business, but the patrons of this den are mostly persons of inferior class and therefore the establishment has not the status of the Asia Club or the Chiu Yuan gambling den.

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THE "SZE WEN CHI" AMUSEMENT RESORT

The following advertisement published by the "Sze Wen Chi" (詩文集), a so-called amusement resort located at No. 478 Yu Yuen Road, appeared in the "Shanghai Daily News" (上海日報), a mosquito paper, on January 17, 1940:-

"We have ordered from the United States a specially made and delicate piece of machinery for amusement purposes. It is rarely seen in Shanghai and is worthy to be recognized as a most wonderful instrument for amusement. It can be used to play games similar to the 'Hwo Gee Tai' (a kind of gambling game). Moreover, it is accurate and reliable and immune from all malpractices. Patrons who have lost in other games can regain their losses with this game. The machine is now on display at this place and is ready for use."

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November 10, 1941.

Gambling stalls in the Western District, O.O.L.

Two gambling stalls are in existence in the Western District, O.O.L. One is located in the vicinity of the Chung Hwa Theatre, Brenan Piece, and other is situated outside the Tsih Teh Li (積德里), corner of Brenan-Jessfield Roads. The gambling consists of "Bah Kiu" and "Big & Small".

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October 24, 1941.

Gambling stalls in the Western District, O.O.L.

The gambling stall which was established on October 15 outside the Foh Kong Li (福康里), Brenan Piece, has ceased operating. Another gambling stall recently came into existence in the vicinity of Tsih Tuh Fang (積德坊), Brenan Piece, but was closed on October 23 as a result of action taken by a Japanese Gendarmerie patrol.

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October 16, 1941.

Gambling stalls in the Western District, O.O.L.

Two gambling stalls are in existence in the Western District, O.O.L. One, situated in the vicinity of Lane 71, Bubbling Well Road, came into existence on October 14 and is conducted by a loafer named CHIANG SIAO TU (姜小土), whilst the other is located outside the FOH KONG LI (福康里), Brennan Piece and was established on October 15. They are operating in matchsheds. The gambling consists of "Bah Kiu" and "Deo Siau".

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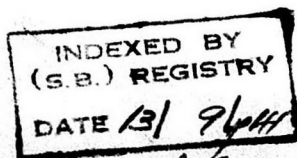
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September 12, 1941.

Western Shanghai Area Special Police -
notice re suppression of illegal business

On September 10, a circular notice was issued by the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force reiterating the order concerning the suppression of gambling dens and opium establishments in the area under its jurisdiction. The notice states that since inauguration, the Western Shanghai Area Special Police has rigidly enforced the order issued by the Ministry of Police and the Shanghai City Government in respect of suppression of illegal enterprises as stipulated in the agreement governing the policing of western area. Although all known establishments have been eradicated, unruly elements may escape the attention of Police by secretly operating gambling and opium establishments. The notice concludes by stating that persons who conduct gambling in ballrooms will be severely punished and those who grant lease of their houses for the establishment of gambling and opium dens will be dealt with accordingly.

It is learned, however, that gambling continues in the premises of the former Winter Garden, 1505 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.



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HONG KONG MUNICIPAL POLICE
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August 18, 1941.

Gambling dens in the Western District - situation

The gambling den located at 75 Tifeng Road opened in the afternoon of August 17, thus bringing the number of gaming establishments operating in the extra-Settlement roads area of the Western District up to nine.

According to information received, another gambling den will open in the near future at 452 Avenue Haig, O.C.L. The conductor is reported to be one SUNG ZIANG LING (沈祥林). This place was previously occupied by the Del-Monte Cafe and was later chosen as the site of the "Chiu Lung" Hotel, a gambling den which was prevented from operating by the Japanese authorities.

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August 8, 1941.

Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L.

The "Lee Yuan Bar" (利源), a small gambling den located at Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road, which closed at the end of July, 1941, reopened on August 6 under the name of "Yung Lee" (永利). One ZIA TIEN MING (謝大明) is the conductor.

The Kwang Nan Tea Room (廣南茶室) which was established in an unnumbered Chinese house in Yah Sze Loong, off Ferry Road, O.O.L. has closed due to lack of business.

There are eight gambling dens operating in the extra-Settlement roads area of the Western District.

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Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L.

Gambling continues to prevail in the Western District, O.O.L. Up to the present, no less than eight dens are operating intermittently at the following addresses:

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| (1) Yung An (永安)
(previously known as
Yung Kee Tea Room). | - An unnumbered house in
Lane 71 Bubbling Well
Road, O.O.L. |
| (2) Yung Yuan Tea Room
(永源茶室) | - 3 Yung Yuan Pang, off
Bubbling Well Road,
O.O.L. |
| (3) Unnamed | - 65 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L.
(removed from 150 Great
Western Road, O.O.L.) |
| (4) Unnamed | - 51 Lieu Tseng Terrace,
Lane 532, Yu Yuen Road,
O.O.L. |
| (5) Dah Sing (大新)
Cold Drink Shop | - Lane 259, House 7,
Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L. |
| (6) San Foh Company
(三福公司) | - Room 39 and 44, Yue
Tuck Apartment, 7
Tifeng Road, O.O.L. |
| (7) Kwang Nan Tea Room
(廣南茶室) | - An unnumbered Chinese
house in Yah Sze Loong,
off Ferry Road, O.O.L. |
| (8) Inside St. George
Cabaret | - 1505 Yu Yuen Road. |

The "Lee Yuan Bar" (利源) at Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road was closed at the end of July, 1941 due to lack of business.



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Commr. of Police.
Sir:
Information.

A. C. (Sp. Br.)

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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Section 1, Special Branches
REPORT

Date July 28, 1941

Subject (in full) Letter reporting gambling den in Yu Yuen Road.

Made by D.I. Pan Lien Pih Forwarded by D.S.I. Young

The attached letter, reporting a gambling den at House 51, Lane 532, Yu Yuen Road, was received through the post this afternoon, July 28. After perusal, I am inclined to think that it might have been intended for Commissioner Pan of the Shanghai Western Area Special Police Force.

Passed to Mr. Chiu



Dan Lien-pih
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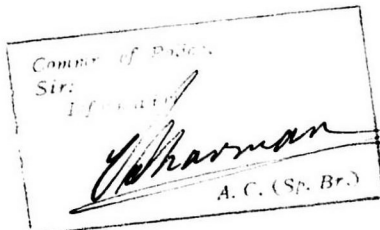
Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L.

A small gambling den entitled "Yung Yuan Tea Room" (永源茶室) is in existence at 3 Yung Yuan Pang (永源浜), off Bubbling Well Road, O.O.L. This den was reported to have been raided by the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force on July 19 but reopened on the following day.

At present, there are eight gambling establishments operating intermittently in the Western District, O.O.L.

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Gambling dens in the Western District, O.O.L.

According to information received, two further gambling dens have opened in the Western District, O.O.L. - one at 150 Great Western Road, near Edinburgh Road, and the other at 51 Lieu Tseng Terrace (柳村别墅), Lane 532 Yu Yuen Road. The former operates between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m., and the latter between 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. daily. It is learned that the den at 150 Great Western Road was removed there from the Argentine Night Club, 626 Avenue Haig.

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Commr. of Police. Sir: Information <i>A. C. (Sp. Br.)</i>
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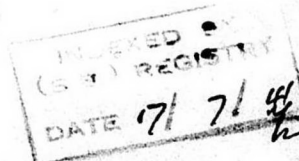
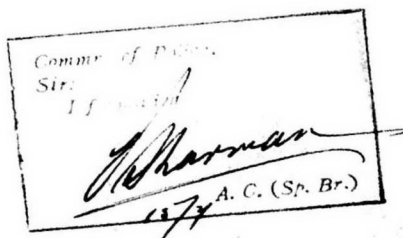
A small gambling den under the name of "Dah Sing Cold Drink Shop" (大新飲冰室) came into existence on July 14 in Lane 259 Yu Yuen Road. There are five small dens operating in the Western District, O.O.L. which are as follows :

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
(1) Kwang Nan Tea Room (廣南茶室)	An unnumbered Chinese house in Yah Sze Loong, off Ferry Road, O.O.L.
(2) Inside Lee Yuan Bar (利源)	Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Road.
(3) Yung Kee Tea Room (榮記茶記)	Lane 71, Bubbling Well Road.
(4) Inside St. Georges Cabaret	1505 Yu Yuen Road.
(5) Dah Sing Cold Drink Shop	Lane 259 Yu Yuen Road.

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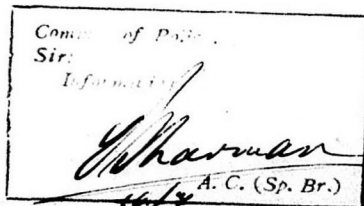
Information has been received to the effect that gambling is being conducted at the following addresses in the Western District, O.O.L. :

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Conductor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(1) Inside Lee Yuan (利源飲冰室), a bar at Woo Ping Road, off Bubbling Well Rd.	Zia Tien Ming (謝天明)	Gambling commenced on 11/7/41 between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m.
(2) Yung Kee Tea Room (榮記茶室), Lane 71, Bubbling Well Road.	Chiang Siao Tu (姜小土)	Gambling commenced on 11/7/41 between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m.
(3) Inside St. George Cabaret, 1505 Yu Yuen Road.	Ling Sze Chong (林世昌)	Gambling conducted between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m.

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Over A Tree

Yesterday's trouble at the Argentina Night Club, which was erroneously reported to be the result of a raid, actually developed when the servants of a Chinese in an adjoining compound felled a tree which crashed into the Argentina grounds, damaging some furniture.

The servants then arrived to cart off his tree, but a Russian watchman, named Sodnikoff, refused to let them have it unless he paid for the damage it had caused. The Chinese then left but soon returned with six policemen and a civilian who desired to beat up the watchman.

When the watchman indicated that he didn't care to be beaten up and the night club's bookkeeper called the headquarters of the Western Area police force, the would-be "musclemen" disappeared.

The misunderstanding arose when the policemen were seen entering the compound of the Argentina Night Club, which conducts gambling openly, roulette, as well as Chinese dice games. The fact that the club is flourishing, gambling and all, in spite of Commissioner C.C. Pan's oft-repeated intention to close all such institutions, led to the report, when police were seen at the night club, that the Western District Police Chief had finally decided to transform words into action.

However, gambling will be on as usual at the Argentina tonight, making profits for its three owners—reported to be a Russian jeweler, another Russian, and a Rumanian dentist.

JUL 4 1941

NOTICE

The management of the Argentina Night Club, 626 Avenue Haig, herewith informs the public that it has no connections whatever with the private club upstairs.

Dr. L. HECHTMAN,
General Manager.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
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Date 7 7 41

July 7, 1941.

Small gambling den established in
Western District O.O.L.

A small gambling den entitled the "Kwang Nan Tea Room" (廣南茶室) was established on July 5, 1941 in an unnumbered Chinese house in Yah Sze Loong (藥水弄) off Ferry Road, O.O.L. It operates between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. daily. The conductor is one Tsou Pah Li (左百禮), a loafer in the Western District, O.O.L.

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Mayor Protests Operation Of West Area Game Dens

Writes To Doyen Of Consular Body Requesting
Him To Take Action Against Foreigners
Owning And Running Establishments

Protesting the alleged functioning in the Western District of Shanghai of several gambling establishments owned by foreigners enjoying extraterritorial rights Mayor Chen Kung-po of Greater Shanghai was reported last night to have sent on Friday a letter to Mr. Poul Scheel, Doyen of the Consular Body, requesting him to notify all foreign gaming house operators to abide by the *modus vivendi* agreement signed between the Chinese authorities and the Shanghai Municipal Police.

The complete text of the letter follows, according to the Central Press:

"With reference to prohibit gambling practice in the Western Area, you were requested to notify foreign residents of different nationalities in Shanghai to observe the regulations of the signed *modus vivendi* agreement—stop gambling and cease to indulge in similar enterprises.

"Now, there are foreign nationals of questionable characters opening

establishments for gambling purposes in the Western Area. The most noted ones are the "Argentine" and "St. George" and a few other secret dens operated under disguise, by foreigners who rely on being foreign nationals, so disobey Chinese laws.

Police In Difficulty

"The police of the Western Area has extreme difficulties to handle such cases because it is necessary to obtain first a search warrant from the concerned Consulate before any search of premises can be effected. These bad foreigners usually depend on their extraterritorial privileges to carry on evil practices so that a situation is created whereby new gambling dens begin to operate soon after old ones are raided. Therefore, the gambling evil in the Western Area can never be stopped, and the police in the said area can never carry out orders from this office.

Foreigners To Be Arrested

"It is hereby decided that henceforth orders will be issued to the Western Area Police to arrest gamblers irrespective of their nationalities and close down dens. The concerned Consulates will be notified later for transfer of offenders of foreign nationality. This method will facilitate the functioning of the said prohibition law and will help restore order.

"You are cordially invited to transmit this information to parties concerned. Thanking you for your kind attention."

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CHINA
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To Curb Gambling

Mayor Writes To Scheel For Cooperation

As a further step toward the realization of the policy to suppress gambling and similar evils in the western district of Shanghai where some gambling houses owned and operated by foreigners are said to be still carrying on their business under the protection of extraterritoriality, Mayor Chen Kung-po sent a letter yesterday to Mr. Poul Scheel, Senior Consul-General, requesting him to notify all foreign residents to observe the terms of the *modus vivendi* signed between the Chinese authorities and the Shanghai Municipal Council, the Central Press reported last night. The full text of the letter, according to the news agency, is as follows:—

"With reference to prohibit gambling practice in the Western Area you were requested to notify the foreign residents of different nationalities in Shanghai to observe the regulations of the signed *Modus Vivendi*—stop gambling and cease to indulge in similar enterprises.

"Now, there are foreign nationals of questionable characters opening establishments for gambling purpose in the Western Area. The most noted ones are "Argentine" and "St. George" and few other secret dens operating under disguise rely on foreign nationals to disobey the Chinese laws.

Extreme Difficulties

"The police of the Western Area has extreme difficulties to handle such cases because it is necessary to obtain first a search warrant from the concerned consulate before to effect any search at the premises. These bad foreigners usually depend on this privilege to drag along their evil practice so it creates a situation that new gambling dens begin to operate soon after raids are over. Therefore the gambling evil in the Western Area can never be stopped and the police in the said area can never carry out orders from this office.

"It is hereby decided that henceforth orders will be issued to the Western Area Police to arrest the gamblers irrespective of their nationalities and close down the dens. The concerned consulates will be notified later for transfer offenders if gamblers of foreign nationals are involved, thus it would expedite the functioning of the said prohibition law and bringing the matter in order.

"You are cordially requested to transmit this communication to parties concerned and thank for your kind attention."

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SHANGHAI EVENING POST & MERCURY

JUN 3 1941

Move To End Farren's, Eventail Gaming Made

Revealing that the first part of the campaign to close down gambling dens in the Western district had been complete, Mr. Pan Dah, Commissioner of the Western Area Special Police force, declared that the next move to close foreign-operated establishments is now underway and is expected to show results within the next few days.

An official request, it is learned, was made by Mayor Chen Kung-po of the Shanghai Special Municipality to the Shanghai Consular Body, urging the foreign consular representatives to curb gambling dens still operating in the "outside roads" by foreigners who enjoy extrajurisdictional rights.

A joint gambling enterprise which was being sponsored by the Chinese dens closed down last week by the authorities, was established at Del Monte's but remained open only for one day.

Some new construction work which had been carried out at the premises were seen being taken down this morning, and it is believed that the den will not open again.

Two Still Open
Meanwhile, the gambling estab-

lishments at Farren's and the Eventail night club remained open last night, despite orders issued by Mr. Pan Dah, commissioner of the Western Area Special Police Force, for the closing of all gambling dens in areas under his control by the end of May.

The two dens were the only ones that defied orders of the police chief, it will be noted. On June 3, Mr. Pan declared to the Evening Post that he would see to the closing of the gambling establishments within 48 hours.

Difficult Task

In an interview with the Evening Post this morning, Mr. Pan declared that although the two dens failed to close down last night, he did not expect them to remain long in business. Mr. Pan indicated that immense difficulties were confronting him in the closing of the two dens.

Three of the five major dens, the Chateau International, the China Club, and the Union Club, were closed on May 31, it will be recalled.

June 6, 1947

Police Chief Declares Gambling Ended

Mayor Chen Kung-po, of the Greater Shanghai Special Municipal Government forwarded an official letter on Wednesday to the Senior Counsel of the Consular Body in Shanghai asking the latter to request foreign authorities concerned to co-operate with Chinese authorities in closing foreign-managed gambling houses in the Western District, it was learned from official Chinese quarters yesterday. All Chinese-owned gambling houses in the same district, including the biggest ones, were recently ordered closed by local Chinese authorities.

No details of the Mayor's letter were disclosed but it was learned that it explained that the establishment of gambling houses in the district by foreign interests was contrary to the agreement signed between the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Chinese city regime prior to the formation of the Western District Special Police Bureau.

Mr. C. C. Pan, Commissioner of the special police recently declared that he would see to it that there would be no revival of gambling activities in his district following the closure of Chinese gambling houses. He made the statement following rumors that the biggest gambling house in Avenue Haig would reopen under a foreign name, forming a syndicate with six other gambling houses already closed.

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June 22, 1941

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Gambling dens in the Western District

The "East Asia Club" (東亞俱樂部), a small gambling den located at House 79 Yah Sze Loong, off Ferry Road, which recently came into existence, was closed on June 20 in view of possible action by the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Authorities.

The East Asia Charity Association, Lane 1032, 25 Yu Yuen Road, previously in charge of supervision of gaming establishments in the Western District, has ceased functioning, subsequent to the recent closure of the gambling dens in the extra-Settlement roads area.

According to information obtained, endeavours are being made by "guards" of the defunct gambling dens in the Western District to resume gaming activities in co-operation with their former employers. They attempted to use the premises of the "Argentina" club, 626 Avenue Haig, but their efforts are said to have been temporarily frustrated in view of firm attitude on the part of Mayor Chen Kung Poh.

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June 7, 1941.

Eventail Night Club and Farren's Ltd.

The Eventail Night Club, 1234 Yu Yuen Road, and the Farren's Ltd., 325 Great Western Road, remain open. However, the gambling hitherto conducted by these two clubs has discontinued for the time being.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

June 4, 1941.

To. Secretary & Commissioner General:

S. M. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- S.B. D. 8039/^A/41(C)-o.

Subject :- GAMBLING DENS IN WESTERN DISTRICT.

Enclosures Copy of Police Report for Information.



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C O N F I D E N T I A L

June 3, 1941.

GAMBLING DENS IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT - SITUATION.

The "Chiu Lung" Hotel, a new establishment at 452 Avenue Haig, did not open on June 2, in consequence of an order from the Western District Japanese Military Police. This hotel was prepared to commence operations at 3 p.m. June 2, when verbal instructions were received from Major Tsukimoto () of the Western District Japanese Gendarme ordering it to refrain from functioning.

The decision against the "Chiu Lung" Hotel is reported to have been adopted by the Japanese Authorities ostensibly due to a complaint made by the Deutscher Garten Klub, 454 Avenue Haig, through the medium of the German Consulate, but the financial problem is believed to be the real cause for the action. It is stated that according to previous negotiations, the new establishment was permitted to open on condition that it pay the various fees hitherto borne by the defunct three gambling dens, namely, the Loh Kue Hotel, China Club and Union Club. However, the "Chiu Lung" Hotel is said to have agreed to pay only half of the sums previously paid by the three dens.

Endeavours are now being made by the Management of the "Chiu Lung" Hotel to reach an understanding with the Japanese Authorities for its establishment.

Following closure, the employees of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road and the Union Club, 6 Tifeng Road, have been paid off. The China Club employees were paid \$40:00 each, whilst those in the employ of the Union Club were paid \$40:00 each.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. B. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 8039/41 (S)-0

June 3, 1941 Date 3-6-41

Gambling dens in the Western District - situation

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Endeavours are now being made by the management of the "Chiu Lung" Hotel to reach an understanding with the Japanese Authorities for its establishment.

Following closure, the employees of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road and the Union Club, 6 Tifeng Road have been paid off. The China Club employees were paid \$60.00 each, whilst those in the employ of the Union Club were paid \$40.00 each.



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Commr. of Police.

Sir:

Informant

A. C. (Sp. Br.)



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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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To **Secretary & Commissioner General,**

S. M. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- **D.8039A/41.**

Subject : - **Gambling Dens in the
Western District.**

Enclosures **Copy of a Police report.
For information.**

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June 2, 1941

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

The following gambling dens in the Western District ceased functioning during the night of May 30/31.

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| (1) Loh Kuo Hotel | - 346 Avenue Haig |
| (2) China Club | - 29 Tifeng Road |
| (3) Union Club | - 6 Tifeng Road |

The new establishment - "Chiu Lung" Hotel - is expected to open this afternoon, June 2, at 452 Avenue Haig. It is reported that the new establishment will pay a daily tribute of \$20,000.00 to the Japanese Military Police and a similar sum to the East Asia Charity Association, Lane 1032, 25 Yu Yuen Road for the relief of the "unemployed" guards of the defunct gambling dens. It is also learned that the "Chiu Lung" Hotel is permitted to operate for a period of three months, after which the matter will again be reviewed by Mayor Chen Kung Poh in conjunction with the Japanese Authorities.

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NOTE :

June 3, 1941

With regard to the above Special Branch report, it was at first reported that the above premises had been raided on the morning of June 2. Later, however, it was ascertained that no actual raid had taken place but two Japanese Gendarmes in plain clothes had entered the premises and inspected the grounds with the result that the gambling did not start as expected.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
S. B. REGISTRY
June 2, 1941. D. 8039
Date 2/6/41

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

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No. S. B. D. 8039 *9/4/41*-0
Date *30/5/41*

May 29, 1941.

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation.

further to a report dated May 28 on
the proposed amalgamation of three gambling dens
in the Western District, it is learned that the
new establishment will be located in the premises
of the former Del-monte Cafe, 452 Avenue Haig.
The building is in the course of renovation, and
when completed, is expected to operate under the
name of "Chiu Lung" Hotel (九龍飯店).

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Commr. of Police.
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S. B. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 5099 A/41 (C)-0

Date 28. 1941. 28/5/41

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation.

According to information obtained, the three gambling dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L., will amalgamate into one establishment and will function in the form of a club. The amalgamation is reported to take place in the near future, possibly at the end of May or the beginning of June, 1941.

It is stated that LEE SHIH CHUN (李士群), Minister of Police of the Nanking Government, has instructed the gambling den conductors through the medium of WOO SZE PAO (吴士宝), to make necessary preparations for the amalgamation and to operate the club at a new venue. However, there is a likelihood that the premises of the Loh Kuo Hotel, a gambling den at 346 Avenue Haig will be used as the site of the new club, if no other suitable premises can be found.

It will be remembered that the three gambling dens were ordered by Mayor Chen Kung Poh to close down during the middle of the current month, but they continue functioning through the efforts of WOO SZE PAO. The Mayor has insisted on the suppression of the gambling dens in the Western District as a step towards the elimination of evils in that area apart from upholding his prestige. He is said to have appealed to Mr. WANG CHING WEI in this connection. However, LEE SHIH CHUN was of the opinion that the immediate closing down of those gambling dens in the extra-Settlement roads area will affect the "livelihood" of the members of the Special Service Group as far as the financial problem is concerned. The Minister of Police is reported to

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have suggested that one of the three dens be closed by means of lot for the maintenance of prestige of the Mayor. The present decision for the amalgamation was eventually reached with the approval of Mr. WANG CHING WEI, President of the Nanking Government.

The three gambling dens to be amalgamated are the :-

- (1) Loh Kuo Hotel - 346 Avenue Haig
- (2) China Club - 29 Tifeng Road
- (3) Union Club - 6 Tifeng Road.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

.....May 13,.....19 41.

To

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(c)-o.

Subject : - Gambling Dens in the Western District -
Situation.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

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May 11, 1941.

Gambling Dens in the Western District - Situation.

According to information obtained, the gambling dens in the Western District have received verbal instructions from Mr. Pan Dah, Commissioner of the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force, ordering them to cease functioning by the middle of this month. This decision is known to have been made by Mayor Chen Kung Poh as a step towards the elimination of evils in the Western District.

It is learned, however, that endeavours are being made by conductors of the gambling dens concerned, with the assistance of Woo Sze Pao, in charge of the Special Service Group attached to the Shanghai Office of the Ministry of Police, 76 Jessfield Road, to negotiate with the Japanese and City Government authorities in the hope of maintaining existence of their establishments.

There are three leading gambling dens operating in the extra-Settlement roads area, namely.

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| (1) Loh Kuo Hotel | 346 Avenue Haig. |
| (2) China Club | 22 Tifeng Road. |
| (3) Union Club | 6 Tifeng Road. |

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Gambling Dens in the Western District

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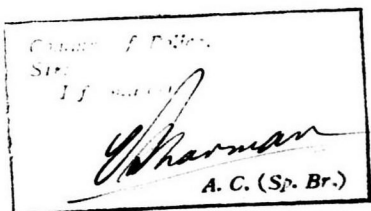
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There are three leading gambling dens operating in the extra-Settlement roads area, namely,

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| (1) Lon Kuo Hotel | 346 Avenue Haig. |
| (2) China Club | 29 Tireng Road. |
| (3) Union Club | 6 Tireng Road. |



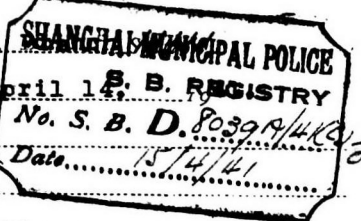
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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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S. 1. Special
REPORT

Date April 14, 1941



Subject (in full) Leon Fleisher - Change of Nationality

Made by D.S.I. Young

Forwarded by D.S.I. Wilcox

I have received fairly reliable information
that Leon Fleisher, the well known gambler, has
acquired Portuguese Citizenship.

D.B. (CPSB)

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A. C. (Special Branch).

[Signature]
D. S. I.



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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

.....April 9,.....19 41 .

To

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C) -O.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

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April 8, 1941.

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation.

In dealing with the suppression of gambling dens now operating in the Western District, C.O.L., negotiations are said to be in progress between the City Government and Japanese Authorities with a view to reach an understanding. Conductors of the gaming establishments in the extra-Settlement roads area, however, continue their efforts to seek connivance of the Chinese and Japanese authorities to maintain operations. They are of the opinion that for the sake of upholding the prestige of Mayor Chen Kung Poh, one of the leading dens - the Hwa Loh Hotel, 792 Yu Yuen Road - has been closed. So far nothing concrete has yet been reached in the negotiations.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

S. B. REGISTRY

No. S. B. D. 8039A/46-0

April 8, 1941. 8/4/41

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

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With reference to the remarks of Commissioner of Police concerning the attached report, according to information collected by an informer, the offer was suggested to Mr. C.C. Pan by the conductors through the medium of Woo Sze Pao, provided that Mr. Pan would assist them to continue operating their establishments.



D.C. (Dir)



Commr. of Police.
Sir:
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Shorman
A. C. (Sp. Br.)



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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE	
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No. S. B. D.	8039 A/C
Date	4/6/41
April 4, 1941	

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

the following three gambling dens continue to operate in the Western District, S.O.L.

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|-------------------|------------------|
| (1) Loh Kuo Hotel | 346 Avenue Haig. |
| (2) China Club | 29 Tifeng Road. |
| (3) Union Club | 6 Tifeng Road. |

The signboards of the three dens, however, have been removed as a result of an understanding reached between the conductors and the Western District authorities. It is learned that these three gaming establishments pay a total sum of \$1,000,000.00 per month to the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force.



At 5.05 p.m., April 3, a canister bomb was found in a room of the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road. It was discovered by a guard named Zung Dao (陳濤) who reported the matter to the management of the den. Whilst being removed, the bomb exploded causing injury to the guard. The victim is now receiving treatment in the Red Cross Hospital, Avenue Haig.

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Chinese-American Daily News, Cheng Yien Pao and Shun Pao :-

EXPLOSION OF TIME BOMB AT CHINA CLUB GAMBLING DEN

At 5 p.m. yesterday a time bomb exploded on the premises of the China Club (華人總會), a gambling den located on Yu Yuen Road, seriously injuring a coolie named Chen Ching (陳清), age 30, native of Shanghai.

Several patrons of the gambling den were also injured by flying splinters.

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Special Branch Report No. 1

'Bomb explosion at The China Club, No.29
Tifeng Road.'

At 5.10 p.m. 3/4/41, a telephone message was received at the 2nd Division, 12 Jessfield Road, reporting that a bomb had exploded and injured one of the employees.

C.I. Blenkinsop, Officer i/c 2nd Division attended and learned that, at 5.05 p.m. 3/4/41, a cigarette type bomb was found in the main gambling room by a guard named Sheng Shing (陳生) age 36, Kompo, who picked it up with the intention of placing it in a bucket of water.

However, it exploded when picked up, and injured him on both hands.

He was taken to the Red Cross Hospital, 363 Avenue Haig, where he was treated for 'Multiple' shell wounds of both hands' and allowed to go.

No information could be obtained regarding the person or persons who placed the bomb in the room, and no bomb fragments could be found.

Crime Branch informed and conducting enquiries.

Mr. Clissold, D.C. informed.



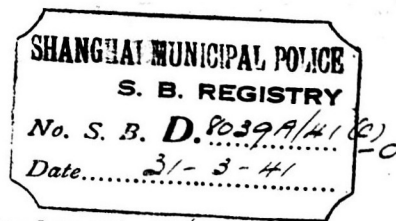
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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.
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To

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C) .

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District -
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Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

For information.

March 30, 1941.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

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No. S. B. D. 8039/41 (C)

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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SPECIAL BRANCH */Station* File No. Date *March 27th., 1941.*

SUBJECT:

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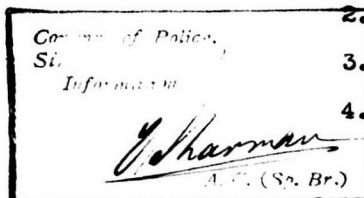
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March 15, 1941.

Gambling dens and opium hongs in the Western District

Despite verbal instructions recently given by the Shanghai City Government to the effect that all gambling dens operating in the Western Area, O.O.L. would have to close, the following four large gambling dens continue to operate :

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| 1. Loh Kuo Hotel | 346 Avenue Haig |
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| 3. Hwa Loh Hotel | 79 Yu Yuen Road |
| 4. Union Club | 6 Tifeng Road. |



According to information received, conductors

of these four gambling dens have reached an understanding with Woo Sze Pao (吴志保), Chief of the Defence Corps and the Special Service Group Headquarters, 76 Jessfield Road, and the Japanese Military Police, whereby the latter would support the conductors against any action adopted by the City Government Authorities. Woo is said to have told Col. Loo Ying, Commissioner of the City Government Police, of the attitude of the gambling dens conductors, and urged the former to impress upon Mayor Chen Kung Poh that any drastic attempts on the part of the City Government to close the dens may result in unpleasant consequences. It is reported that with the support of Woo Sze Pao and the Japanese Military Police, the conductors of the gambling dens are prepared to offer armed resistance if a forcible attempt by the City Government authorities is made to close them. To meet any emergency a number of firearms have been stored in readiness at the China Club, 29 Tifeng Road.

However, with a view to reaching an amicable settlement the conductors have appealed to the City Government



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Authorities. It is stated that the former agreed to close their establishments for a short period provided that they be allowed to reopen them after the new Police Force is established in the Western Area. For permission to continue operations the conductors have suggested to pay a large sum of money to the Shanghai City Government. Both suggestions Mayor Chen Kung Poh disapproved of and said that he intended to bring about the closing of the gambling dens which operated in the area under his control.

Further information to hand is to the effect that the conductors of the four gambling dens now operating have each agreed to raise the daily "protection fees" from \$12,000.00 to \$15,000.00. This protection fee is paid to the East Asia Charity Association, Lane 1032 , 25 Yu Yuen Road, of which Mr. Yamaki is in charge. This decision was made with a view to furthering the support given by the Japanese authorities.

There are 42 opium hongs in the Western District, C.O.L. They have rented houses in Nantao preparatory for removal if instructed to remove by the City Government. They are, however, making efforts to secure permission from the Japanese and City Government authorities to continue business at their present addresses.

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March 10, 1941.

Gambling dens in the Western District - situation

The Shanghai City Government recently notified the gambling dens operating in the Western District to cease functioning. The Police Bureau was instructed by Mayor Chen Kung Poh to take action against those dens in the event of their refusing to obey the order. According to information received, it was proposed that on the evening of March 7 to have the reserve unit of the City Government Police raid the gambling establishments.

The conductors of the gambling dens appealed to the Japanese Military Police. The Japanese Gendarmerie, it is reported, decided against the proposal of the City Government Police to close down the gambling establishments. As a result, the City Government did not proceed with the proposition.

The following four large gaming establishments are still operating at the following places :

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Cheng Yien Pao :-

THE GAMBLING DENS IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT

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(六國), the China Club (華人俱樂部), the Hwa Loh (華樂) and other gambling dens and several scores of opium dens received telephone messages from a certain party to the effect that preparations be made by the managements and that as soon as formal instructions were given, the dens be closed immediately.

It is not known as to whether they will be allowed to move to Nantao after they have closed down in the Western District.

cc: Loh

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MEMO.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

OFFICE OF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
(CRIME BRANCH)

Date

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Please pass all
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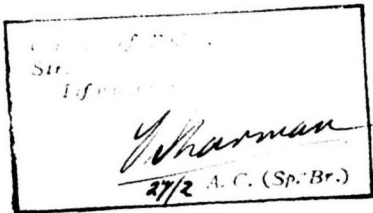
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Gambling Den to be opened at Avenue Haig

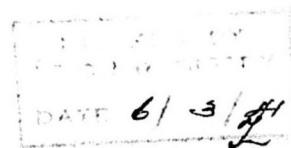
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Capt. Chinold*

According to information obtained, a new gambling den to be known as "Argentina" will open at 686 Avenue Haig at the beginning of March, 1941. The building is under renovation at present. It is reported that the promoter owns motor car, licence No. 6136.

Inquiries at Traffic Office disclosed that the owner of motor car 6136 is a Russian named E. Veshner, 982 Avenue Foch, Apartment 11.



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NITECLUB

626 Ave. Haig (corner Edinburgh Rd.)

GRAND OPENING

TO-NIGHT, at 9 p.m.

FEATURING:

For the First Time in Shanghai

★ RICARDO WOO ★

GOLDEN-VOICED TENOR—RETURNED FROM EUROPE!

★ GEORGE ROTH ★

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SPANISH SONGS and DANCES IN DAZZLING COSTUMES!

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Date February 27, 1941.

Section 1, Special Branch
REPORT

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Made by D. S. I. Wilcox Forwarded by C.D.I. Tabrum

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The opening of these premises is advertised in to-day's press.

According to information obtained, gambling will be operated on the premises.



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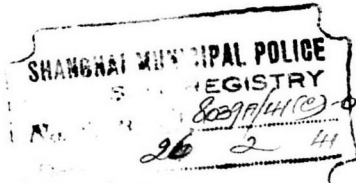
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February 26, 19 41.

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Enclosures

Copy of Police report.

For information. No action required.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

File No.

S. 5, Special Branch, *Shanghai*

REPORT

No. *8639 P/4 (C)-0*
Date Feb. 25, 1941. *26*

Subject (in full)..... Reported postponement of closing down of Gambling Dens
in Western District

Made by..... D.S.I. Young Forwarded by..... Supt. Mascn

In connection with the report on reported postponement of suppression of gambling dens in the Western District appearing in the Chinese-American Daily News of 24.2.41, reference to the editorial staff of the paper learned the report had been received from the Shanghai Social News Agency (上海社会新闻社).

Mr. Chu Hung-pah (朱鴻柏), Editor of the news agency, was called to this office and stated that the "well-informed circles" signified the person in charge of the staff of the "Loh Kuo Club," Avenue Haig, who had made the statement to employees of the Club, when the latter had voiced fears of being thrown out of employment should the places be closed.

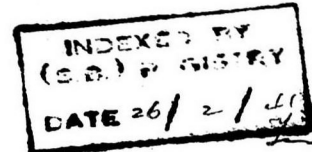
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Sir:
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J. A. Young
D. S. I.



February 24, 1941.

Chinese-American Daily News publishes the following report:-

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Central China Daily News, Kuo Min Daily News, New China Daily News and Ping Pao :-

HAND GRENADE THROWN AT THE LIEN CHIAO CLUB

At about 10.10 p.m. yesterday, a hand grenade was thrown outside the Lien Chiao Club (聯僑俱樂部), at No. 6 Tifeng Road, but no one was injured by the explosion. There were bodyguards posted outside the Club. When the gamblers heard the explosion, they all tried to run away.

A search was later made by policemen and detectives, but the men responsible for the throwing of the hand grenade had already disappeared. Some bomb fragments were picked up.

Central China Daily News and New China Daily News :-

SNATCHING AT THE CHINA CLUB

As the gamblers were playing in a downstairs room of the China Club (華人俱樂部) on Tifeng Road yesterday evening, several tens of unarmed men entered and snatched away all the articles and money on the tables and made good their escape. The bodyguards attempted to stop them, but failed. Order was restored 15 minutes later.

Another report states that several suspects were arrested by policemen.

Cheng Yien Pao :-

IMPRESSMENT OF CHINESE ALONG SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW RAILWAY

Impressment of Chinese is taking place in the occupied areas, the so-called "kingly way happyland". Our reporter has secured the following information from a person who was recently impressed but who succeeded in making his escape :-

"Early this month, Japanese soldiers at Changan (長安) and Siashih (石碛) along the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway suddenly closed all the thoroughfares in the vicinity and carried off 80% to 90% of the young people living in this area and detained them near a mountain north of Kashing. The youths were subsequently sent to the front to fight the guerrillas. Their fate is unknown.

"I was held up at a place along the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway and sent to Shanghai where I was detained in a compound next to the Japanese military headquarters in Yangtsepoo. There were already some 500 people there. On the night of February 14, the Japanese soldiers packed up their belongings. It was said that they were being sent to Hainan Islands. The 500 young men who had been impressed became uneasy. As the guards were somewhat slack at that time, scores of them succeeded in making good their escape. It is said that the people impressed had no food to eat while many were whipped. It is believed that those who could not escape have been sent away and now have little chance to escape."

Cheng Yien Pao, Chinese-American Daily News, Shun Pao, National Herald :-

According to information secured by the Dah Kwan News Agency, impressment by Japanese soldiers along the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway is proceeding.

Certain arrivals in Shanghai yesterday said that the Japanese soldiers started to impress Chinese along the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway on February 16 and since then some 1,000 able-bodied men have been carried off. Of this number, some 400 people were conscripted at Siashih. All the shops in this town suspended business for people were afraid to go out. Normal conditions in this town were restored after five days. People seized at Changan, Kashing, Haining, Kasha and other places were placed on trains which carried them off in a northerly direction.

Cheng Yien Pao, Chinese-American Daily News, Shun Pao, Sin Wan Pao, National Herald (23/2) :-

COMPASSIONATE GRANT TO ASSASSINATED REPORTER OF "SHUN PAO"

The Chungking Government regrets the assassination by traitorous elements of King Hwa-ting (金華亭), a reporter of the "Shun Pao" in Shanghai.

At a meeting held recently, the C.E.C. of the Kuomintang at Chungking resolved that a compassionate grant of \$20,000 be issued to the family of the deceased.

P.T.O.

February 24, 1941.

Afternoon Translation.

We would like to give our sincere advice to the merchants. It is true that merchants have to make profit, but there should be a limit to such profit. If they care only for profit without due regard to the general situation, they are liable, when the hostilities are over, to face retribution on account of the atrocious exploitation of the people in which they are engaged at present, even though they may be able to escape the law at present. It is still not too late for one who has gone astray to become upright again. It is, therefore, hoped that those merchants who are raising commodity prices to exploit the public will quickly come to their senses.

New China Daily News, Bing Pao, Central China Daily News and Kuo Min Daily News :-

THE SHOOTING OF A CHINESE DOCTOR AND HIS JAPANESE WIFE

Dr. Sung Chien-an (沈健安) and his Japanese wife, who were both fired at and wounded by robbers at their home at No. 50, Lane 429, Race Course Road, at about 10 a.m. February 22, are being treated in the Foo Min Hospital on North Szechuen Road.

Sung's wife is in a serious condition because the bullet struck her in the right breast and is lodged in the abdomen. She was operated upon yesterday afternoon. The doctor's wound is not serious.

Shun Pao and Sin Wan Pao (advertisement) :-

Notice by Dr. Sung Chien-An of Chien An Hospital

The following notice is published by Dr. Sung Chien-an:-

"I have never participated in political activities. It is unfortunate that I have been slightly wounded in a robbery case. I will resume business from February 25.

"Lest people should labour under some misunderstanding, this notice is published for general information."

Cheng Yien Pao of February 23 :-

THE PAWNSHOPS IN NANTAO AND THE WESTERN DISTRICT

There are some 100 so-called pawnshops in Nantao and the Western District.

Yesterday morning, several mercenary policemen were detailed by the Police Bureau in the Western District to order a section of these so-called pawnshops to suspend business immediately.

It is learned that most of them are small shops, but the larger ones will be allowed to continue their business because they have completed arrangements with the authorities concerned.

February 24, 1941.

Afternoon Translation.

New China Daily News :-

NOTORIOUS HWO HWEI LOTTERY CHARACTER MISSING

According to information secured by the Hwa Kwang News Agency, Yoh Shih-sen (郭 德 生), residing at a certain place in the Western District, who is as notorious in Hwo Hwei Lottery circles as Li Siao-pao (李 小 豹) or Mou Ah-ziang (毛 阿 强), has not been seen since he left home three days ago.

Strenuous efforts are being made by his family to locate him. No report has been made to the Police.

Central China Daily News and Chung Kuo Shang Pao :-

NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED IN SHANGHAI RAPIDLY INCREASING

Due to the European War and the obstruction of transportation, industry in Shanghai has been seriously affected and in order to curtail expenses, many factories have discharged some of their workers.

It is learned that owing to the difficulty of finding work even at low wages, workers in the interior districts are coming to Shanghai to find work. As a result, the number of unemployed in Shanghai is rapidly increasing.

Chinese-American Daily News (comment) :-

MERCHANTS SHOULD COME TO THEIR SENSES

Yesterday we published an article asking the authorities of the Foreign Settlements to adopt strict sanctions against the unreasonable increasing of commodity prices so that the prestige of the authorities can be maintained and the burdens of the people can be alleviated.

To-day we would like to submit the following views for consideration by merchants in Shanghai:-

China is now engaged in a hard and difficult struggle. At this critical stage, we all should be firm and do our utmost for victory. Any one who thinks that he can utilize the present opportunity to do things detrimental to others but beneficial to himself is unworthy of his country.

Ever since Shanghai became an isolated city, the influence of the Government has diminished with the result that great changes have taken place in the city. The residents, however, have remained firm and have encouraged one another with examples of loyalty. They are leading an upright life in the face of many hardships; they are looking for the advent of a brighter day and are therefore willing to go through a period of darkness for the time being. Unfortunately, a small section of local merchants, disregarding the welfare of the general public, have frequently made use of their influence and wealth to hoard commodities and to manipulate the prices of goods with the result that the poor people, who constitute a majority in the local population, have been made to face increased burdens and hardships.

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Union Club - bomb explosion

At 10.10 p.m. February 23, a canister bomb exploded at the entrance of the Union Club, a gambling den located at 6 Tifeng Road, O.O.L. No persons were injured and no arrests reported.

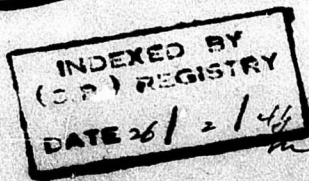
Discreet enquiries revealed that several days ago the management of the Club received through the post an anonymous letter which was purported to have been sent by the "Kwangtung Woo Hu Tang" (廣東五虎堂), demanding the payment of a monthly "allowance" of \$5,000.00, an answer was requested through the medium of local newspapers. This demand, however, was ignored by the management of the gambling den.

The so-called "Kwangtung Woo Hu Tang" has not previously come to the notice of the Police.

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February 19, 1941.

Assassination of Loo Ting in the French Concession

At 9 a.m. February 18, 1941, Loo Ting (盧鼎), conductor of the Hwa Loh Club, a gambling den at 792 Yu Yuen Road, was fatally shot by a male Chinese, named Voong Dze Tuh (馮樹德) on Route des Soeurs, French Concession, as he was leaving his home, House 6 Tuh Foong Li (德豐里), Route Vallon. Loo was formerly a journalist employed with the Dah Kung Pao and later a partner of the now defunct Li Wai Lo Amusement Club at 1238 Yu Yuen Road.

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He received two bullet wounds, one in the buttock and the other in the body. He died instantly.

It is of interest to note that a previous attempt was made on Loo Ting's life on November 21, 1940 at the Dah San Shing Restaurant, 679 Foochow Road at his marriage ceremony.

Loo Ting's assassination is said to be an act of vengeance and has no political significance. The assailant was shot and wounded by the French Police and is now detained in St. Marie's Hospital undergoing medical treatment. Two pedestrians also received gun-shot wounds during the affray.

SECRET

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

February 20, 1941

To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D.8039A/41(C)-O.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District -
situation.

Enclosures

Copy of Police Report.

For information. No action required.

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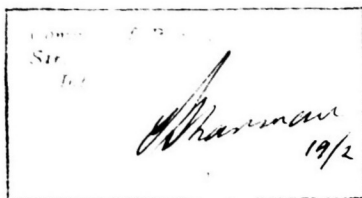
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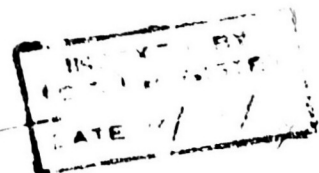
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| (1) Loh Kuo Hotel | 346 Avenue Haig. |
| (2) China Club | 29 Tifeng Road. |
| (3) Hwa Loh Hotel | 792 Yu Yuen Road. |
| (4) Union Club | 6 Tifeng Road. |

21 gambling dens were closed. The proprietors and conductors of these dens are now endeavouring to obtain permission from the Japanese and City Government authorities, through the medium of the East Asia Charity Association, to amalgamate and open a few large establishments in the same areas. Their efforts so far have not been successful. However, it is learned that 626 Avenue Haig, a former large gambling resort, may reopen in the near future.



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Morning Translation.

Chinese-American Daily News and Cheng Yien Pao:-

GAMBLING DENS CURTAILING EXPENSES

According to information from reliable sources, the report that the Special Police Force will be established on March 1 is creating much anxiety among the operators of the gambling dens in the Western District. Past experience has taught them that each time a change takes place, they will again be asked to pay protection fees.

These gambling dens are curtailing expenditure and have abolished several facilities accorded to their patrons. Hereafter there will be no more free meals or transportation facilities because these two items, especially the latter, constitute their principal items of expenditure. The gambling business is also being affected by the trade depression.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

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To.

The Secretary & Commissioner General

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Reference No:- D. 8039A/41(C)- O

Subject :- Situation in the Western District
(Gambling dens and opium hongs).

Enclosures Copy of Police Report.
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Situation in the Western District (gambling dens and opium honges).

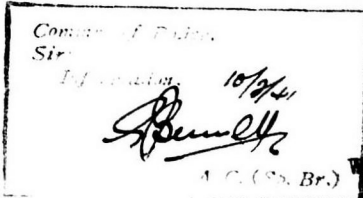
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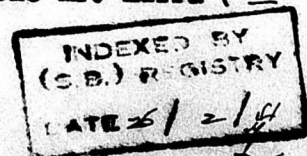
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Central China Daily News :-

GAMBLING DENS IN WESTERN DISTRICT PREPARING TO
REMOVE TO NANTAO.

The Special Police Agreement for the Western District has been signed. According to the terms of the agreement, all improper enterprises in the Western District, such as opium dens and gambling dens, must be closed. As a result, it is learned that the various large gambling dens in the Western District are all preparing to remove to Nantao. The Loh Kuo Hotel (六國飯店) on Avenue Haig, the largest of all gambling dens, will remove to the former premises of the Small World Amusement Resort (小世界) on Foh You Road (佛佑路) in Nantao as soon as the repairs to the buildings are completed.

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GAMBLING DEN IN WESTERN DISTRICT PLANNING TO REMOVE
TO NANTAO.

The Western District Police accord which was signed on February 1 prohibits the existence of all improper enterprises in the outlying road area in the Western District. It is said that all improper enterprises will be ordered to cease operations when the Western District Special Police Force has been formed.

The various gambling dens in the Western District have received notification to this effect from a certain party and are preparing to remove to other places in order to carry on their business. The Loh Kuo Hotel at No. 346 Avenue Haig, the largest gambling den, has decided to remove to the Small World Amusement Resort on Foh Yeu Road in Nantao, the buildings of which are undergoing repairs. The various gambling dens in the vicinity of Tifeng Road and Yu Yuen Road are also planning to remove to Nantao and are, therefore, seeking for suitable premises.

Gambling and opium smoking will become more rife in Nantao after this. This "Badlands" No. 2 will soon become a cesspool of crime.--- Dah Kwan News Agency.

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February 8, 1941.

Morning Translation

Cheng Yien Pao, Chinese-American Daily News, National Herald,
Shun Pao, Sin Wan Pao :-

SUPPRESSION OF GAMBLING DENS IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT

It is learned that the authorities of the International Settlement have approved the appointment of the Deputy Commissioner of the Special Police Force. Both parties will exchange lists of staff. No statement has been issued regarding the closing of gambling dens and other evil resorts in the Badlands or to the collection of taxes.

It is believed that it will not be difficult to collect taxes, for the revenue will be used for the expenses of that district, but it is feared that trouble may arise over the closing of gambling dens.

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West Area Dens Plan To Close

Planning To Remove To Nantao As New Police Start Functioning

All gambling and opium dens in the Western District were yesterday reported to be making preparations to close or remove into the Nantao area in anticipation of the formation of the Western area Special Police Force shortly, when all extra-policing activities will be eliminated.

The special political police of the Nanking regime with headquarters at 76 Jessfield Road, who have been operating in the extra-Settlement area, are expected to conclude their special activities following establishment of the new police body, it is learnt.

The formation of the Special Police Force will also eliminate the activities of the police of the Shanghai Municipal Government and Japanese gendarmerie in the Western District.

The question of closing the gambling and opium dens in the area to be administered by the new police force will be discussed between Mr. C. C. Pan, Commissioner-elect of the Joint Zone Police Force, and Superintendent J. B. Clissold, S.M.C. nominee for the post of Deputy Commissioner to the new police body, it was learnt.

First to undertake preparations for removal was the Luk Kwok Hotel, reputed to be the largest gambling den in the "badlands," which is understood to have secured new premises in the Nantao area.

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Japanese Military Police raid gambling den.

Between 11 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. February 4, a party of Japanese Gendarmerie consisting of twenty members raided the Dah Tung Tea Room (大東茶室), a gambling den at 38 Sing Kong Li, Connaught Road, O.C.L., and took into custody one CHU KING SUNG (朱金生) WONG QUIN SAN (王昆山) respectively guard and inspector of the den in question. They were apprehended on information supplied by one TAN YU CHI (戴有琪) who is in custody of the Japanese authorities, on suspicion of being concerned in the assassination of a member of the Japanese Military Police which took place on October 19, 1940 at Chien Ka Hong, inside Lane 668 Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L. During the raid, all gamblers were searched on the premises of the den, but the gambling establishment was permitted to carry on operations.

Commr. of Police.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

February 7, 1941

To.

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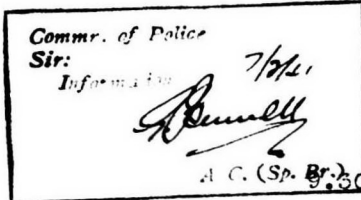
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February 6, 1941.

Trouble in the Lien Sung Amusement Company, a
gambling den on Yu Yuen Road.



In the evening of February 4, 1941, at about

9:30 p.m., a fight occurred in the Lien Sung Amusement Company (联生公司), 1st house of Lane 259 (Ching Yuen Li 慶云里), off Yu Yuen Road, O.O.L., between members of the Special Service Group and the guards of the company. Several shots were exchanged with the result that a restaurant waiter was wounded and a number of windows and furniture belonging to the Company were smashed. Further trouble was cut short by the arrival of a party of Chinese police led by a Japanese Gendarme who succeeded in apprehending three members of the Special Service Group and two of the guards. The Special Service Group members were later released while the guards are being detained in the headquarters of the Japanese Military Police at Western District, 94 Jessfield Road, O.O.L.

Enquiries reveal that the Lien Sung Amusement Company is a small gambling den recently established by one FENG NGOH CHING (馮鶴慶), a loafer in the Western District, O.O.L. Despite negotiations, the conductor has continually refused to pay "protection" fees to the members of the Special Service Group and the Chinese police.

With a view to causing disturbance, three members of the Special Service Group attached to the



section at 1 Zung Yoen Li, Kong Ka Jao, off Jessfield Road, C.O.L. and 818 Yu Yuen Road, proceeded to the Lien Sung Amusement Company at about 3 p.m. February 4 and indulged in gambling. Having lost some \$500.00, they demanded the payment of \$100.00 each as locomotion. This demand was rejected by the inmates whereupon a quarrel occurred between the guards and the members of the Special Service Group which developed into a fight, and one was injured.

Apparently in the spirit of revenge, some ten members of the Special Service Group attached to the same unit arrived at the Lien Sung Company at 9.30 p.m. the same day, several of whom are said to have been armed with Mauser pistols. On arrival, they commenced smashing the windows and furniture of the den and attacking the guards therein, which resulted in a considerable damage being done. It is stated that the members of the Chinese Police who were led by the Japanese Gendarme took advantage of the opportunity to cause further damage to the gambling establishment. This den remains closed to-day, February 6.

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Sin Wan Pao, Chinese-American Daily News, Cheng Yien Pao and
National Herald :- *St. L.*

FIGHTS IN A GAMBLING DEN ON YU YUEN ROAD

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At about 3 p.m. yesterday, a fight suddenly took place in the Lien Sung Co. (聯生公司), a gambling den in Ching Yung Li (廣雲里) next to the Hungarian Restaurant at No. 272 Yu Yuen Road in the Western District. Three men were injured by iron tools and were sent to hospital for treatment. They left the hospital immediately after their wounds were bandaged.

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Unexpectedly another fight broke out in the den at 9.35 p.m. on the same day. A large number of "policemen" were sent to the scene to arrest gamblers by the City Government Police Bureau. At the time of the trouble, two or three shots were fired. Several persons were arrested. A waiter of the Hungarian Restaurant named Sih Ah-foh (史阿福), aged 57, was wounded by a stray bullet. He was removed in an ambulance to the St. Luke's Hospital for treatment.

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Three Near Death, Many Shot In Gambling Den Gun Battle

At least three persons are near death and several others were wounded last night when a pitched gun battle occurred in a gambling den off Yu Yuen Road at 9.30 p.m.

As the establishment is just half a block beyond the jurisdiction of the Settlement Police, usual sources of information were unable to confirm the exact cause of the battle.

Ta Tao policemen interviewed at the scene of the trouble said that six of their members in uniform and carrying rifles visited the establishment to "have a little talk" with the manager. After a brief discussion, an argument broke out, and thugs in the employ of the house engaged the police in a major gun duel, the policemen reported.

The thirty gamblers playing at the time stampeded for the door breaking it down as they went, but bullets which filled the air left three of them critically wounded on the floor and wounded an undetermined number of others less seriously.

The police suffered no casualties.

A boy in the employ of the Hungaria Night Club opposite the den was struck in the head by a stray bullet as he crossed the street to investigate the trouble. He was removed to Paulun Hospital by the Fire Brigade Ambulance which was summoned by his employer. The other victims, however, were hustled away to an unknown destination, and their condition could not be learned.

When the place had been emptied, the elaborate den was systematically wrecked. Every window was broken and the gaming tables were smashed into kindling. Four policemen were guarding the wreckage at an early hour this morning. A Russian gambling place on the floor above remained undamaged and in full operation.

What was said in the interview between the police and the owner of the place raided is not known. One source laid the origin of the battle to quarrelling factions of gamblers.

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Four Injured in Gang War in Badlands

City Government Police
Shot at by Gangsters

Three Chinese were slightly injured and one was lying fatally wounded at the St. Luke's No. 2 Hospital following a fight between two rival gangs at the Lin Seng gambling den, just behind the Hungaria Restaurant at 272 Yu Yuen Road.

The fight between the gangs first started at 3 p.m. yesterday at the gambling den and involved some twenty men. During the fight three men sustained slight injuries, requiring only first aid.

At 9.30 p.m., however, the fight was resumed and the management of the gambling den called out the City Government police. Arriving at the den, the Chinese policemen were fired at by one of the gangsters. The bullet missed its mark, but hit a Chinese servant of the establishment in the head.

The victim, whose name was given as Sing Ah-foh, was taken to the hospital in an emergency ambulance. His condition was believed to be critical and little hope was entertained for his recovery.

The Lin Seng gambling den, which is situated in Ching Yung Li, off Yu Yuen Road, is outside the jurisdiction of the International Settlement police. It was reported that the Chinese police had arrested several gangsters and had taken them for questioning.

February 6, 1941.

Trouble in the Lien Sung Amusement Company, a
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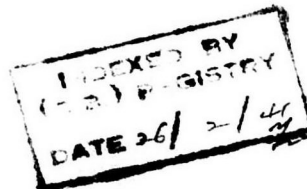
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*Western Area Gambling
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Wrath Of The Gods

MAYBE it's simply a coincidence but employees at the Chateau Internationale, Shanghai's reputedly biggest, most streamlined, and for the present best patronized gambling palace, are taking no chances with their personal safety and welfare in view of what occurred during the first few days of the lunar New Year. The establishment was repeatedly damaged by fires. Although the blazes were promptly extinguished, everyone connected with the joint, from the managers to coolies, feared that they had, for some inexplicable reasons, invited the wrath of the Gods. So for the past few days they have been offering large quantities of candles, incense and paper money to the gods.

Customers wondered if they had not been over-zealous with their religion, thereby accounting for the fires.

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*Western Area
Gambling Hell*

February 6, 1941.

Morning Translation.

Chinese-American Daily News (comment) :-

THE ROOT OF LOCAL CRIME

Nearly all the pages of the newspapers of February 5 were occupied by reports relating to gambling. For instance, "Jui Ziang-piao Murders His Cousin for Gambling", "Fight Between Hireling and Mercenary Policeman in Gambling Den on Yu Yuen Road", "Ronin Killed by Mistake in Li Yuen Gambling Den at Nantao", "Hawkings, a British Gambler, Charged" and "Evildoers Intimidate Gambling Den".

When Chen Kung-po assumed the post of Mayor, he made public "three schemes of administration," one of which calls for the suppression of gambling. At present, not only is gambling being conducted openly in the areas under his control, but over 90% of the crimes in this city originated at such gambling.

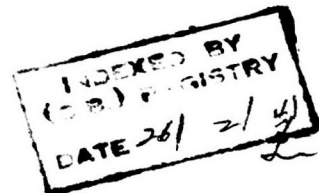
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February 5, 1941.

Gambling dens in the Western District - Situation

Two small gambling dens entitled the "Golden Tea Room" and the "King Fah Tea Room" located at 135 Jessfield Road and Yee Foong Li, Jessfield Road, O.O.L. respectively closed on February 3, 1941, because of no "business".

There are four leading gaming establishments and twenty-one small dens now operating in the Western District, O.O.L.

Commr. of Police.
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A group of Cantonese gambling promoters headed by Mr. SASAKI, who was formerly in charge of gambling establishments in the Western Area of Shanghai, are negotiating with the owners of the Del Monte Cafe, Avenue Haig with the object of acquiring the establishment.

All negotiations have been conducted by Hal. P. MILLS, an American journalist, who resides at Room 320, Palace Hotel, Mr. Mills in connection with negotiations recently sent a cable, which cost \$ 100.00, to Mr. Damon HYDE who is at present in Manila. The cable is believed to have advised Mr. Hyde to accept the proposal for the sale of the Del Monte Cafe.

It is said that this group is willing to pay any price for the establishment.

It is proposed to convert the Del Monte Cafe into a fashionable Casino with roulette-wheel and all other gambling. The upper floor of the premises will be used for this purpose while dancing will carry on as usual.

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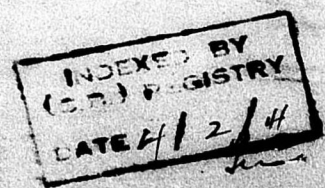
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A group of Cantonese gambling promoters headed by Mr. SASAKI, who was formerly in charge of gambling establishments in the Western Area of Shanghai, are negotiating with the owners of the Del Monte Cafe, Avenue Haig with the object of acquiring the establishment.

All negotiations have been conducted by Hal. P. MILLS, an American journalist, who resides at Room 320, Palace Hotel, Mr. Mills in connection with negotiations recently sent a cable, which cost \$100.00, to Mr. Demon HYDE who is at present in Manila. The cable is believed to have advised Mr. Hyde to accept the proposal for the sale of the Del Monte Cafe.

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Police Intensifying War On Vice Dens In Settlement

Raid On Newly-Opened Club Contemplated; West Area Gaming Dens Fear Action Following S. M. C.-City Government Police Pact

Following their successful raid on a foreign-operated gambling den on top of the defunct Silver Palace Dancing Hall, at the corner of Avenue Foch and Weihaiwei Road, on Saturday afternoon, detectives from the Shanghai Municipal Police were yesterday planning to execute another smashing raid on another gaming establishment in the central district, it was gathered last night.

Although the names of the black-listed gaming organizations could not be revealed for obvious reasons, it is understood that a newly-opened club, owned by a Chinese, but purported to be that of a foreigner, has been closely watched by the police after receipt of information to the effect that prohibited games have been indulged in on the premises.

Western Area Gaming Dens

With the signing of an agreement between the Shanghai Municipal Council and the City Government as to the policing of the Western Area, which took place on Saturday morning in the Civic Centre, various gambling organizations are stated to be entertaining fears of police action against them shortly. It was learnt yesterday that a line of action is in process of study by the Shanghai Municipal Police, in co-operation with the new Western Area Police to be set up, to drive out vice den operators.

In the raid of last Saturday on the premises above the Silver Palace, at 982 Avenue Foch, eight persons were arrested and a large quantity of gambling paraphernalia was seized by the police. Tables, roulette wheels, drums for bingo, dice shakers, chips and dice, were among the articles carried away by a number of police vans.

Uniforms for male and female dice shakers, application forms for membership in the club, account books, bottles of wine and a large quantity of cigars and cigarettes were also seized. The account books were being scrutinized carefully by the authorities for further clues as to who were behind the gambling organization, it was pointed out yesterday.

According to the police, four rooms were used by the operators to run their games of chance and swindle, while two were used as opium dives. It was also indicated that articles used in smoking opium were seized in the latter premises, although no person was found actually smoking the drug.

Most luxuriously appointed among the vice dens thus far raided, the place was patronized, it was believed, by a few gambling addicts who have much money to spend. Although only small-scale gambling was being operated at the time of the raid, the police believe that the owner or owners intended to expand the scope of the "business." This belief is predicated on the fact that a large number of unused gambling devices were discovered on the premises.

Those arrested were expected to be brought to court for trial either today or tomorrow.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

February 2, 1941

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The Secretary & Commissioner General.

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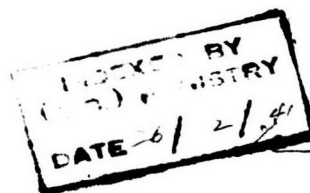
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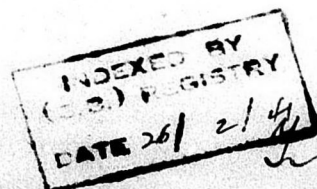
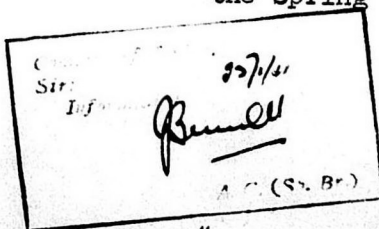
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Kuo Tai Tea Room (國泰茶室), Lane 345, Connaught Road.	- do -
Voong Li Tea Room (previously known as Huh Li Company (永利茶室))	Closed on January 1, 1941..

Another small den entitled Voong Li Tea Room (永利茶室), 1159 Great Western Road, opened on January 23, 1941.

There are four leading gambling establishments and thirteen small ones operating in the Western District, O.O.L.

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Headquarters,
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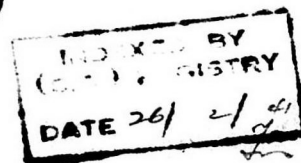
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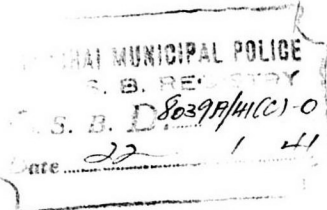
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JAPANESE CONSULAR POLICE RAID LOH KUO HOTEL

FILE
All members of the Judicial Department of the local Japanese Consular Police mobilised and under the command of Sub-Inspector Takahashi carried out a raid at the Loh Kuo Hotel on Avenue Haig at 9 p.m. January 17th and succeeded in arresting more than forty Japanese and Koreans including women. About half of the arrested persons were Koreans, among them being Kinsaku Kanayama alias Kim Manju, 33, residing at Pao Tuh Lie, Jukong Branch Road, IJunso, 25, residing in the French Concession, and Boku Heigyoku, 23, residing at No. 15 Woosung Road, who were habitual extortionists. There were also two Korean women and the wife of a member of a certain company. About half of the arrested persons were released in the morning of January 18th after being strictly cautioned, while the others who are connected with other crimes are undergoing investigations by the Police.

MEETING OF THE LOCAL JAPANESE MUNICIPAL RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION.

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An extraordinary meeting of the Municipal ratepayers is scheduled to take place in the Race Course on Bubbling Well Road at 2 p.m. January 23rd in connection with the proposal to increase the surcharge on the Municipal rate by 40 per cent. With regard to this meeting, a meeting of the standing committee, trustees and advisers of the Japanese ratepayers' association will be convened at the Japanese Club on Boone Road at 1 p.m. January 19th with a view to deciding the attitude of the Japanese ratepayers.

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The sudden raid upon the Loh Kuo Hotel carried out by the Japanese Consular Police on the night of January 17 resulted in the arrest of about 40 imprudent Japanese.

After a strict investigation was made, the authorities prosecuted 18 of them on a charge of being habitual gamblers. The remaining 19 men were released after they had signed a pledge.

Most of those who were prosecuted are elderly men holding regular occupations. Should the discharged persons continue to frequent gambling dens, they will be liable to severe punishment.

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In consequence of slackness in "business",

the King Fah Tea Room, a gambling den at Yee Foong Li, Jessfield Road, and the Kuo Tai Tea Room, another small den at Lane 345 (Foh Zung Li), Connaught Road, closed down on January 18, 1941. Several small dens, however, have recently come into existence in the extra-Settlement roads area. There are altogether four leading gaming establishments and eight small ones now operating in the Western District, C.O.L., the list follows :

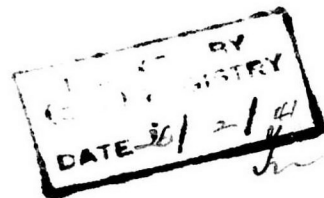
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These small dens are reported to be paying a daily fee of \$200.00 to the East Asia Charity Association Lane 1032, 25 Yu Yuen Road, in addition to a sum ranging



from \$300.00 to \$500.00 to the Western District Police Bureau.

In order to extend its operations, a new building is in the course of construction for the Loh Kuo Hotel at 346 Avenue Haig. It is expected that the new building will be ready for use at the beginning of the Spring Festival.



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Foreign Clique Threatened By Police Drive On Gaming Dens

One eye cocked for signs that Mayor Chen Kung-po intends to carry out his promised drive against vice flowering in the Chinese area, the Shanghai Municipal Police force is in the middle of a resolute campaign to clean its own house of the various gambling dens that have sprang up in the Settlement. THE CHINA PRESS learned yesterday.

The campaign's machine, which lumbered into action slowly and secretly on December 13, was whirring at full speed yesterday, with a swank foreign gambling den in the Denis Apartments raided Saturday evening and several more raids impending. The beginning of the second month of the police drive also marked the beginning of the first trial of a foreigner on gambling charges since the Riley case. Hearings in the trial of Luiz Antonio Perpetuo, accused of owning a gambling den, started in the Portuguese Consular Court yesterday morning.

The trial and sentencing of Perpetuo will be the first blow to shatter the ring of foreigners who operate gambling in the Settlement, if police plans go through. Perpetuo was alleged to have owned the "37427" Club which operated at 1477 Bubbling Well Road, but according to reports in gambling circles there are at least five other dens doing big business in the Settlement.

Boast "Protection"

With some of them boasting "protection," these foreigners are said to have divided the Settlement into "spheres of influence." Their slogan, it was said, lies in that the dens can open in a different locality soon after they are raided and closed down in their former premises. All too often, it was explained, the arrest of the "front" for the gambling den leaves the real owner or owners at large to continue their "industry."

The firm intention of the Shanghai Municipal Council to harry this clique out of existence was reflected in the statement made to THE CHINA PRESS yesterday by a responsible police official, who said: "We've been campaigning against them for the past 10 years, but this time we'll drive them out of the Settlement."

Information reaching THE CHINA PRESS from gambling circles indicated that there are at least five dens humming in the Settlement at present.

Tifeng Road Den

One place was reported to be operating at 7 Tifeng Road, under Russian management. The Russians were also said to be connected with a new gambling house in the former residence of Elly Wilder on the 11th floor of the Broadway Mansions.

Running in the Settlement at present, also, is a den above the Silver Palace dance hall, at the corner of Avenue Foch and Weihaiwei Road, it was reported. At one time two "clubs" were operating on different floors, but a police raid closed one down.

Spaniard Involved

The Union Club, which opened recently on Tifeng Road, opposite the Fire Brigade, is said to be run by a Spaniard and two Russians. The "club" is not within easy raiding distance of the S.M.P. as it is situated in Chinese territory.

A Frenchman is said to be behind a luxurious den in the Medhurst Apartments, at the corner of Bubbling Well and Medhurst Roads.

In addition, a gambling den is said to be operating at 204 Seymour Road, above Watson's Pharmacy at the corner of Bubbling Well and Seymour Roads. This establishment, according to private information, is co-owned by a Portuguese and an Englishman.

Several Closed

Against the places still open now, the S.M.P. can check several dens which have been forced to close. These are the "37427 Club," a lower-class den on Avenue Haig, near Avenue Foch, a den on Ferry Road, and the swank establishment in Apartment 35A on the eighth floor of the Dennis Apartments, at the corner of Bubbling Well and Carter Roads.

Detained in that raid, when detectives seized gambling paraphernalia, was a Portuguese who has been handed over to the Portuguese authorities. The nature of the charges to be framed against him were not known, as detectives suspect that he acted as a "front" for the real owners.

The demise of two other gambling dens was noted recently. The establishment at the Kingland Dancing Hall, in the big, rambling house at the corner of Yates and Weihaiwei Roads, closed down about a month ago, for an unknown reason. The "Tiny Club," near the Navy Y.M.C.A. on Szechuen Road, reported to have been backed by Italian money, was scared by the police campaign into shutting up shop.

In conjunction with their own war against gambling, the S.M.P. evinced interest in Mayor Chen Kung-po's repeated promises to stamp out gambling and other forms of vice in the area under his administration. Responsible officials told THE CHINA PRESS they had as yet received no sign that the Mayor intended to put his promises into practice.

Should the Mayor, however, turn against the big interests said to be behind such profitable palaces of vice as the "Six Nations' Club," at the corner of Avenue Haig and Avenue Foch, a firmer police stand may be expected against Chinese dens fronting on Settlement roads, it was stated.



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JAPANESE HABITUEES OF GAMBLING DENS TO BE DEALT
WITH SEVERELY

*Gambling in
Shanghai area
file*

FILE

In co-operation with Mayor Chen Kung-po, who is taking drastic action to wipe out gambling dens and clubs in Shanghai, the Japanese authorities have decided to black-list Japanese visitors to such places.

Japanese who continue to frequent gambling houses after receiving a warning will be prohibited from residing in Shanghai.

Gambling Joints: Nuisance on Ave. Haig

To the Editor of the

"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Some months ago I had occasion to protest in your correspondence column against the nightly nuisance created by the erection of a new gambling establishment at No. 346 Avenue Haig.

This illegal resort is now in full swing and is extending its premises by day and night work, with the aid of illumination supplied by the Western District Power Company of Shanghai, Fed. Inc. U.S.A.

Our nights are accordingly again rendered hideous by the "Hee-haws" of a horde of native workmen. I have noticed recently, moreover, that two Sikh constables of the Shanghai Municipal Council were superintending the ingress and egress of the riff-raff who frequent the resort.

May I once more draw attention to the fact that such establishments are in flagrant defiance of the laws of both partners in the "new order in Eastern Asia" and also of both branches of the Anglo-Saxon race, and enquire whether all concerned are not participes criminis with the promoters of the den?

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Shanghai, January 8.

Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

January 9, 19 41.

To. Secretary & Commissioner General,

S. M. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D8039A41(C)-0

Subject :- Gambling Dens in the Western District

Enclosures Copy of Police report for information.

FILE

January 8, 1941.

GAMBLING DENS IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT - SITUATION

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9. Western Tea Room () (previously known as Loh Kung Club)	135 Jessfield Road

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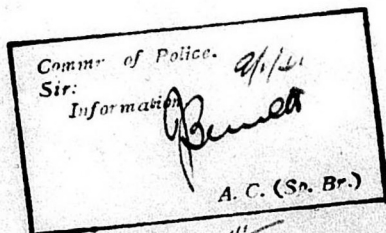
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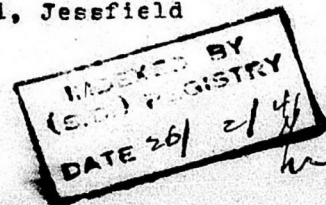
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MAYOR CHEN KUNG-PO TO URGE OPERATORS OF
GAMBLING DENS AND OPIUM DENS VOLUNTARILY
TO GIVE UP THEIR BUSINESS

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In view of the fact that a large number of gambling dens are being operated publicly or semi-publicly in the Western District and Nantao, Mayor Chen Kung-po is determined to exterminate all gambling and opium-smoking dens for they are greatly prejudicial to the construction of a brighter Shanghai. He is at present conducting secret negotiations with the ~~authorities~~ concerned and is urging operators of gambling and opium smoking dens to give up their business.

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Headquarters,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

January 6, 1941.

To. Secretary & Commissioner General,

S. H. C.

The Commissioner of Police presents his compliments in forwarding herewith the undermentioned documents.

Reference No:- D. 8039A/4(c)-0.

Subject :- Gambling dens in the Western District -
Situation.

Enclosures Copy of a Police report.

For information. No action required.

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January 4, 1941.

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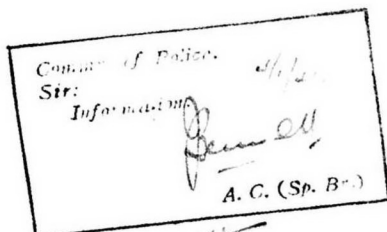
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